

National Guard reunion

1952 Bay St. Louis
engineers plan a
triumphant return.

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Dorothy 'Miss Dot' Clark returns
to her house at Easterbrook - with
a little help from HUD & the city.

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D'head Women's Club Spring Art Fling is Sun.

The Diamondhead Women's Club will hold its 8th Spring Art Fling Sunday, April 7, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Diamondhead Country Club. Many of the leading artists in the area will display their work. All artwork will be available for sale. Admission is \$1, and all proceeds will be donated to Hope Haven Children's Shelter and the Alzheimer's Foundation. For information, call Earlene Kornman at 228-255-6921.

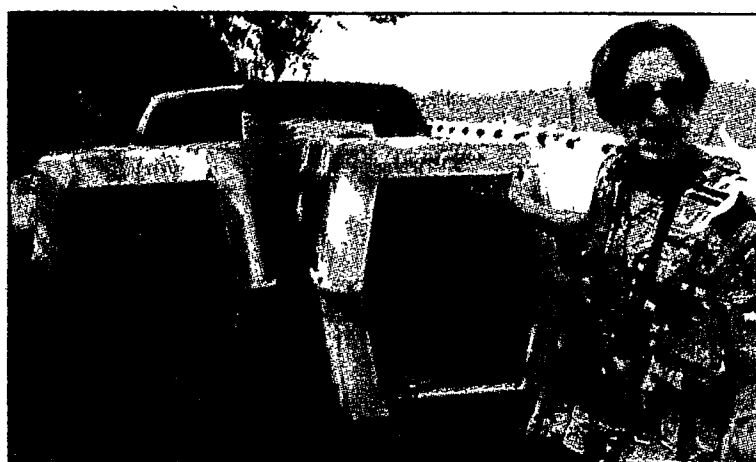
Arthritis Foundation heads north to Alaska

The Mississippi Gulf Coast chapter of the Arthritis Foundation will host an informational meeting on Thursday, April 11, at 6:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn at Waveland for anyone interested in joining the fundraising marathon team which will travel to Anchorage, Alaska, in August. Call Phyllis Goodyear at 586-1351.

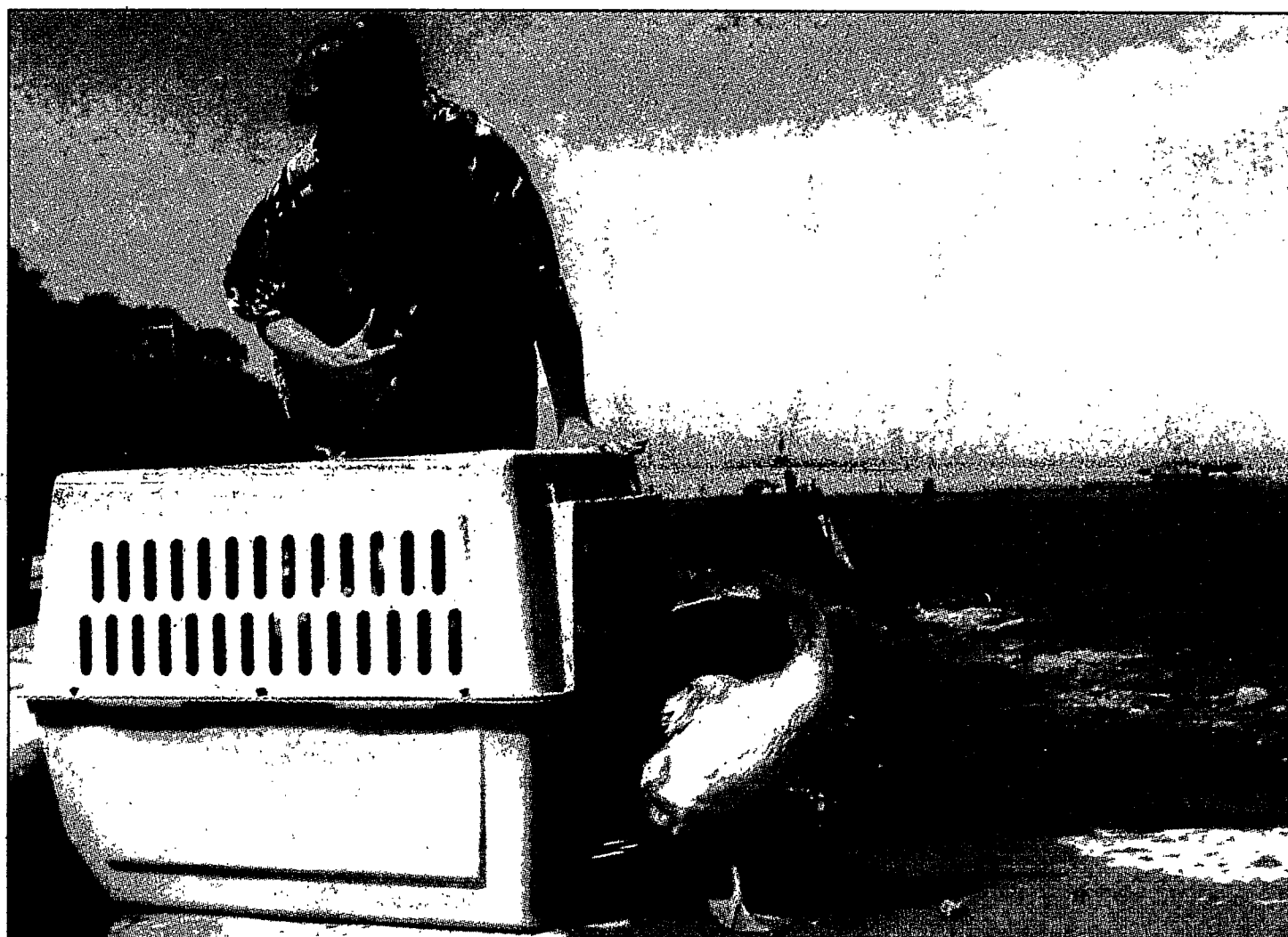
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WRANPS
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Echo staff photos by Geoff Belcher

A juvenile brown pelican takes his first awkward step back into nature Tuesday following several weeks of recuperation after undergoing surgery to remove a fish hook he had accidentally swallowed. Below, just moments after their release back into the wilds of St. Louis Bay, both the adult and juvenile pelicans start making friends in their new neighborhood.

WRANPS rescues, treats, releases injured pair of brown pelicans

BY GEOFF BELCHER

Uneeda Steele-Laitinen smiled Tuesday as she watched one of the two brown pelicans she had just released back into the wild - this one a juvenile - dive into the Bay of St. Louis head-first, hungry for a bite of fish.

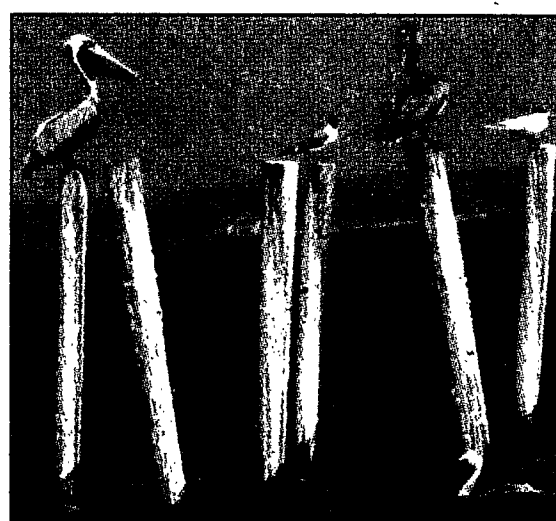
"Look at that," she said. "He

knows what to do."

The juvenile had just completed a 10-week recuperation at the Wildlife Rehabilitation and Nature Preservation Society Inc. (WRANPS) in Pass Christian, Laitinen explained. He was taken to WRANPS after accidentally swallowing a hook some errant fisherman had left behind.

Also on Tuesday, Laitinen

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Shoreline fire death may be suicide

Witnesses: Victim
went inside with gas
can, locked door

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS

Publisher Emeritus

The Hancock County Sheriff's Department is investigating the death of a Shoreline Park resident and fire at the victim's trailer on Tuesday evening.

Sheriff's Investigator André Fizer, who is leading the investigation said late Wednesday, "We are awaiting tests back to determine if the death was a suicide. We are not sure how the trailer fire started, possibly the victim started it."

The victim was identified as Edwin (Sonny) Gillan, 52, who lived on New Mexico St., according to

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Pullman asks NASA to relax security

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Board of Supervisors President Rocky Pullman wants NASA to reconsider limits on campers and visitors at the giant Stennis Space Center.

Since the events of Sept. 11, Stennis, like federal installations everywhere, has tightened security.

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TIDES

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PLAYING IN THE SAND

Some 33 Alcan employees built sand castles Monday on the beach by Garfield Ladner Pier in Waveland. The purpose of the exercise was to reinforce team building concepts such as planning, effective communications, constructive feedback, and coaching in an environment that reflects change. Of course, fun was allowed also.

Echo staff photo by
Bennie Shallbetter



Travirca, former county supervisor, laid to rest

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

James N. Travirca, who served four terms on the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, died Saturday following a series of illnesses. Visitation was held Monday at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Private burial will be at a later date.



Travirca

Travirca, 76, was a native of Lumberton and a resident of the coast for 73 years. He was an Army veteran of World War II and a member of Annunciation Church in Kiln.

Survivors include his wife, Jan Travirca; two daughters, Lillian

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Drainage plans to come under closer review

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Subdivision and commercial developers in Hancock County will have their drainage plans more closely reviewed.

The Hancock County Board of Supervisors Monday directed the county Planning and Zoning Commission to refer all building plans that might impact existing homes and businesses to county engineer, Geoff Clemens.

The decision came as the board continued to wrestle with a drainage problem created by the recent expansion of Woodland Ridge Nursing Center in Diamondhead. For more than a year, residents and businesses downstream from the facility have had water come into or threatening their structures, and the water is also ponding on Leisure Drive.

District 3 Supervisor Lisa Cowand asked Clemens some time ago to work with the contractor who handled the expansion and to come up with a fix for the problem.

At the board's recessed meeting in March, Clemens said a permanent fix would cost between \$40,000 and \$48,000, and Supervisors Jeep Ladner and Jay Cuevas balked at that estimate. They tabled any action, and said they planned to go out to the

area and survey the problem.

The delay irked Cowand, who publicly said she appreciated their interest in the problem, but wondered, "Why did we have the county engineer look into it and give us a recommendation?"

Clemens reported the contractor made some drainage improvements he suggested, but there was still a problem with the water as it flows to catch basins on the county right-of-way. He proposed installing two additional catch basins to better handle the additional runoff, but admitted it was "not a permanent, long-term fix." He said the more expensive recommendation was a better fix to the problem, and added more development was planned in the area, involving five to 10 acres.

Supervisors called in Willie Gavney, the city's chief building official and zoning enforcement officer.

He told supervisors the county refers all major subdivision and commercial projects to the county engineer for a review of their drainage plans, but additions are not subject to the engineer's review. However, he said, once the drainage plan is approved, there is no follow-up to see whether the drainage is installed properly or does what it is supposed to do.

"That's the problem,"

District 4 Supervisor Steve Seymour complained. "The county engineer should sign off on all (buildings affecting) the infrastructure before it even happens."

Supervisors instructed Gavney to have the Planning and Zoning Commission refer all major projects to Clemens for initial approval, then to have Clemens inspect the drainage that is installed to make sure it handles the additional stormwater runoff.

Supervisors voted to have county road crews install the two catch basins, although Seymour wanted to get two quotes from private contractors. Seymour said he didn't want road crews to be tied up very long on the Diamondhead problem, and getting behind on other projects.

In other business, Ladner asked the purchasing department to get two quotes from Mississippi Power and Coast Electric on what they might charge on a yearly basis to repair blinking caution lights at several sections around the county.

Ladner said local electric firms do not have the bucket trucks required to check out the overhanging lights at intersections, and it is sometimes days before faulty lights are repaired.

Supervisors tabled until the recess meeting of April

17 a proposal by County Administrator Tim Kellar to put out to bid a proposal to provide ambulance service to Hancock County.

American Medical Response has had the contract for years, and recently reported it is answering emergency calls in the two cities and in rural areas of the county well under the response time required under the present contract.

Kellar said AMR's contract expires the last of May. Cuevas asked supervisors to pass a resolution asking the Justice Court judges to consider allowing those found guilty of various charges to work cleaning up county cemeteries in lieu of fines or jail time.

Board President Rocky Pullman asked supervisors for a resolution asking the Mississippi Department of Transportation to look at the drainage situation on the service road on the north side of U.S. Hwy. 90 from Harbor Drive to the Waveland city limits where highway repairs are underway.

Seymour wants MDOT to clean up its storage yard on state Hwy. 603 approaching Kiln. "It's an eyesore," he said.

At Pullman's request, the board also passed a resolution asking the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to help with maintenance dredging of the channel leading to the

Port Bienville Industrial Park.

The board advertised in advance a public hearing on declaring a residence at 831 Larkspur Lane a public health and safety hazard. Owner of record, Christopher Ladner, did not show up for the hearing, nor did any of his neighbors.

The Board declared the address a nuisance, and will get two quotes from firms interested in clearing the area. The cost will be charged as a lien against the property.

Road Supt. Roger Ladner announced he was having

hip surgery on April 9, and would be out for two weeks.

Supervisors instructed Ladner to follow the recommendations of his doctor, and take a month off, if the doctor recommends it.

Longtime employee, R.L. Mitchell will fill in during Ladner's absence.

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Little League Baseball final registration is Saturday

Waveland Little League Baseball will have its final registration Saturday, April 6, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at Elwood Bourgeois Park, Waveland and Central avenues in Waveland. Everyone is invited to come and meet the staff.

This will be the final registration for the season for all age groups: Tee-ball 5-6, Minor League 7-8, Little League 7-8, Little League 9-10, 11-12 and Junior League 13-14.

The league will close its registration, and the draft will be Monday, April 8.

Those who register after the draft may be placed in the player pool and will be placed on a team when space becomes available.

Little League is an organization operated by volunteers from the community. Those able to help as manager, coach, field or score keeper, announcer, etc. or for registration information, come to the park or call Clay at 467-4710, Leo, 469-0687, 806-0988; Linda, 467-4091, or Marian 806-0987.

Final sign-ups for Dixie Girls Fast Pitch Softball

Registration for Dixie Girls Fast Pitch Softball will continue through Saturday, April 13. To sign up, contact Pennie Brogle at 467-3192 or come to the field Saturday, April 13, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

There are currently girls ranging from 4-15 years of age.

In the next few weeks, there will be a tryout day for girls to participate on a 16-18-years-old team.

"Please watch the paper for the tryout date or contact Pennie Brogle for further details," a spokesperson said.

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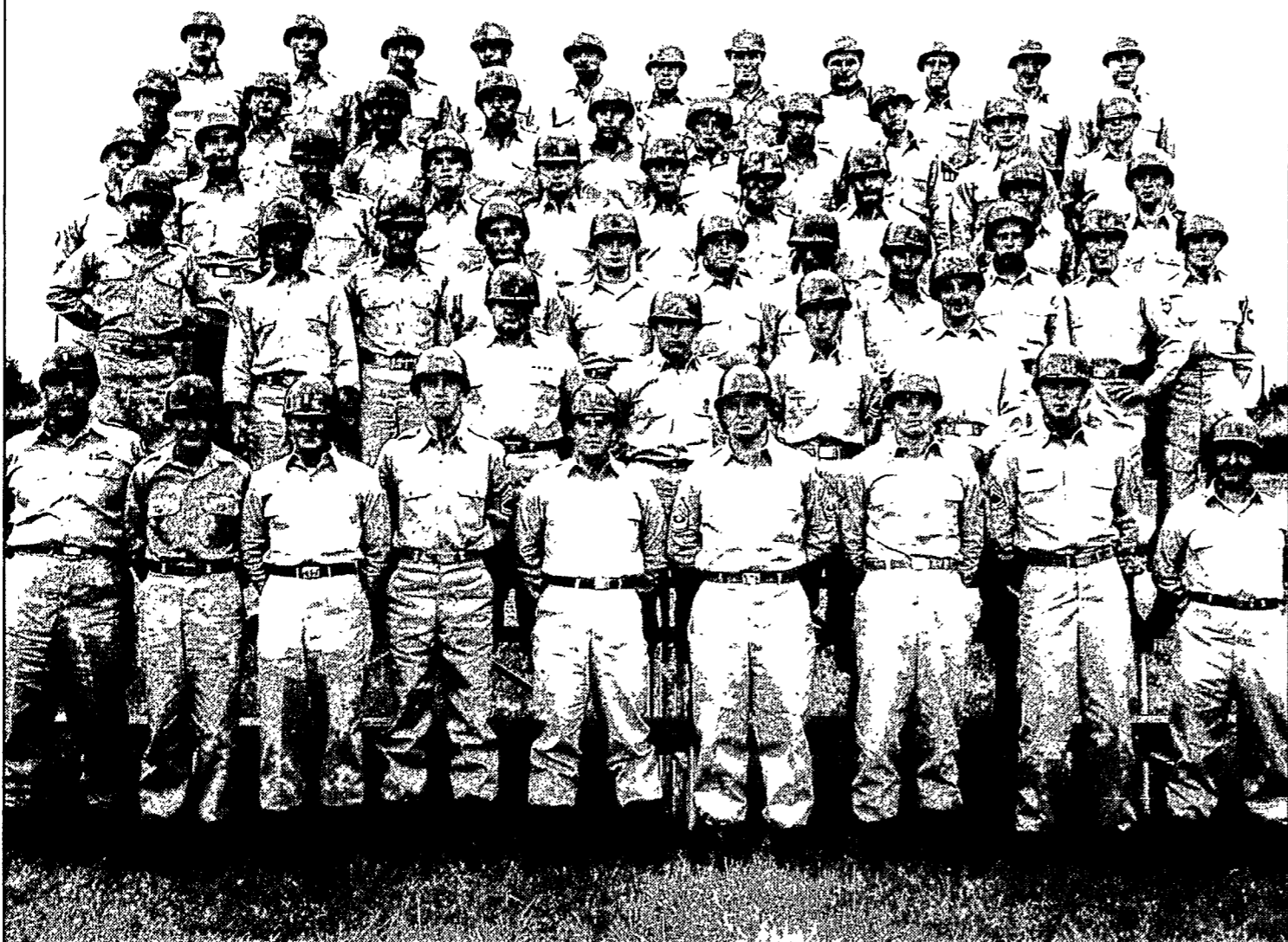
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Bay St. Louis National Guard troops prepare to ship out in 1952.

National Guard reunion planned May 10

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO
In December 1952 a National Guard unit was formed in Bay St. Louis, the Hancock County seat, and just like a very special cat, this National Guard unit has seen several lives - ANG Engineers, ARNG Engineers, 134th Trans Co. (Lt Trk), 135th Trans Co. (Lt Amph), 1355 S&S, and today, 155th Mech Inf.

Men and women have served their communities, state and nation through federal activation in 1960 and Desert Storm, and state activations to help during major Gulf Coast hurricanes and Delta floods. Almost everyone has a memory of Hurricane Camille. To honor the past and celebrate the future of the Hancock County unit of

the Mississippi National Guard, a reunion will be hosted May 10. The celebration will take place at the American Legion Post 139 Home, Green Meadow Road, Bay St. Louis, beginning with a re-acquaintance mixer at 6 p.m. followed by a short program and dinner at 7 p.m. Spouses and dates are invited. Dress is casual (no

tank tops, tee shirts, please.) "We want to contact as many Guardsmen as possible, especially those who now live out of area," said spokesman Samuel Cuevas. "If you can help with this task please contact Wallace Farragot, 452-2356; Sam Cuevas, 467-4747; Robert Gavagnie, 467-4882 or Joe Overall, 467-4582."

County Civic Center may not be available

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Hancock residents planning wedding receptions or other special events during the months ahead may find the civic center on Longfellow Road is not available.

The warning was issued Monday by District 3 Supervisor Lisa Cowand, who explained some county offices might have to move temporarily to the Civic Center once renovation begins at the historic county courthouse in downtown Bay St. Louis.

The Board of Supervisors is scheduled to publicly open bids at its April 17 recessed meeting on plans to make the courthouse more accessible to the elderly and handicapped.

Plans call for a reconfiguration of parking spaces around the courthouse and renovations that could

affect several offices located there.

An elevator and new bathrooms will be constructed in the rear of the courthouse and the circuit court and board of supervisors meeting room on the second floor will be substantially altered.

The courthouse also houses the circuit clerk and voter registrar office, property records, law suits and judgments kept by the chancery clerk, offices of the assistant district attorney assigned to Hancock County and probation officers working for the Mississippi Department of Corrections. County Administrator

Tim Kellar said the civic center may be used for a temporary office for some courthouse functions, but he plans to work very closely with whoever finds the contract for the renovation in order to create "the least disruption."

"We're hoping we can work with the contractor and move offices around in phases as construction progresses," said Kellar.

He said it would be a monumental task to begin moving computers with Internet access, telephones, printers and other equipment completely out of the courthouse.

"It's not just moving peo-

ple and desks," said Kellar.

Kellar said those reporting for jury duty or trials in circuit court on the second floor of the courthouse may be moved to the Court Annex on Hwy. 90 in the event one of the two courtrooms located there is not being used.

"We're just going to have to piece this thing together as we go along," said Kellar.

Cowand said she wanted to notify the public planning events at the civic center in the future that the facility might not be available on the date they have in mind.

She asked the media to begin informing residents of the possibility.

Hancock School District community interest meetings

The Hancock County School District will have five community interest meetings for input on future construction and growth planning. The schedule is:
Wednesday, April 10, 5:30, Charles B. Murphy Elementary cafeteria
Wednesday, April 10, 7 p.m., Gulfview Elementary cafeteria
Thursday, April 11, 5:30

p.m., East Hancock Elementary cafeteria
Thursday, April 11, 7 p.m., Hancock North Central Elementary cafeteria
Tuesday, April 16, 7 p.m., Hancock Middle/High School at Hancock Middle library. For more information about these meetings, contact Jeannie Klein at the central office at 255-0376.

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Tuesday, April 9 6 p.m.

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Learn more about seasonal and chronic breathing problems & how to manage them. Lunch at The Bridges at Casino Magic. \$7.

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Pass Fleet Blessing set April 28

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Chairman Leo "Chipper" McDermott has selected judges for the annual Blessing of the Fleet in Pass Christian.

The 26th annual blessing is scheduled in the east end of the Municipal Harbor from noon until 4 p.m. Sunday, April 28. The annual event features live bands, food and novelty vendors, capped by a colorful parade of decorated commercial and recreational boats.

Judging for this year's boat parade are Fire Chiefs from five neighboring coastal communities. They are Rich Marvil from Pass Christian; David Garcia from Waveland; Bobby Gavagnie, Bay St. Louis; George Bass, Long Beach and Pat Sullivan, Gulfport. Pass Christian Police Chief John Dubuisson has also agreed to be a judge.

The judges and invited VIPs will be aboard the vessel Showdown, anchored outside the entrance to the harbor.

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OPINION

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Cuevas family has long historical ties to Deer, Cat islands

It was good news Mississippi purchasing Deer Island in Biloxi for a state-owned nature preserve.

My great-great-grandfather had a brother who lived on Deer Island for many years. He is mentioned in an article, which I have the original copy of, written about my great-grandfather James A. Cuevas which was published in the New Orleans Times Picayune, Sunday, May 7, 1922.

The article states "... My

grandfather (Juan Cuevas) had a brother living on Deer Island. John Joseph Cuevas, and I liked to visit him. Deer Island then was only about a quarter of a mile from Biloxi. It looked just like a channel, the water between no much wider, both the Biloxi side and the island having gone gradually into the water. I was a bad little boy, and with my cousins we would run the cows and deer into the water to watch them swim over. Drowned? No, it was not far, and they always



Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

came back..."

My great-grandfather moved to Shieldsborough (Bay St. Louis) with his father Ramond Cuevas from Cat Island where he was the

lighthouse keeper in 1849.

My great-grandfather James A Cuevas was also a resident of Beauvoir, the Confederate Soldiers Home in Biloxi. He was born at

Cat Island Feb. 28, 1838 and died at Beauvoir at the age of 90, Sept. 3, 1928.

Last week it was announced by U.S. Congressman Gene Taylor of Bay St. Louis that half of Cat Island has been purchased for \$13 million. An agreement was signed by the Trust for Public Lands, the National Park Service and members of the family, which owns Cat Island.

Congressman Taylor has worked very hard on this project, along with support from Senators Trent Lott

and Thad Cochran in addition to other agencies. The other half of Cat Island, with the exception of a small section, will be purchased in the near future and become part of a National Park Service property.

Juan Cuevas was the owner of Cat Island for many years and raised his 11 children there. He died at Cat Island in 1849. The Island was a grant to him from the United States

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Editorial

Which way do we go?

Court Street is a one-way street. No, this is not an April fools joke. It really is a one-way street. But it may as well be a joke. No one seems to pay it much attention. Traffic is now supposed to flow from Beach Boulevard to Second Street. There are signs posted and arrows painted on the street indicating the correct traffic flow. All to no avail.

Many of the workers at the Hancock County Courthouse, Bay Saint Louis City Hall and the Hancock County Sheriff's Department are apparently also unaware that Court Street is now a one-way street.

Who knows the logic behind the change? Everything seemed to be working just fine as a two-way street. And then one day, workers painted arrows on the street and the next day signs were erected making it one-way, effective February 4.

Old habits are hard to break. But two months? Come on.

What happens when a city or county owned vehicle, going the wrong way on Court Street, is involved in an accident? Its just a matter of time. Who pays? You will! The taxpayers in Bay St. Louis.

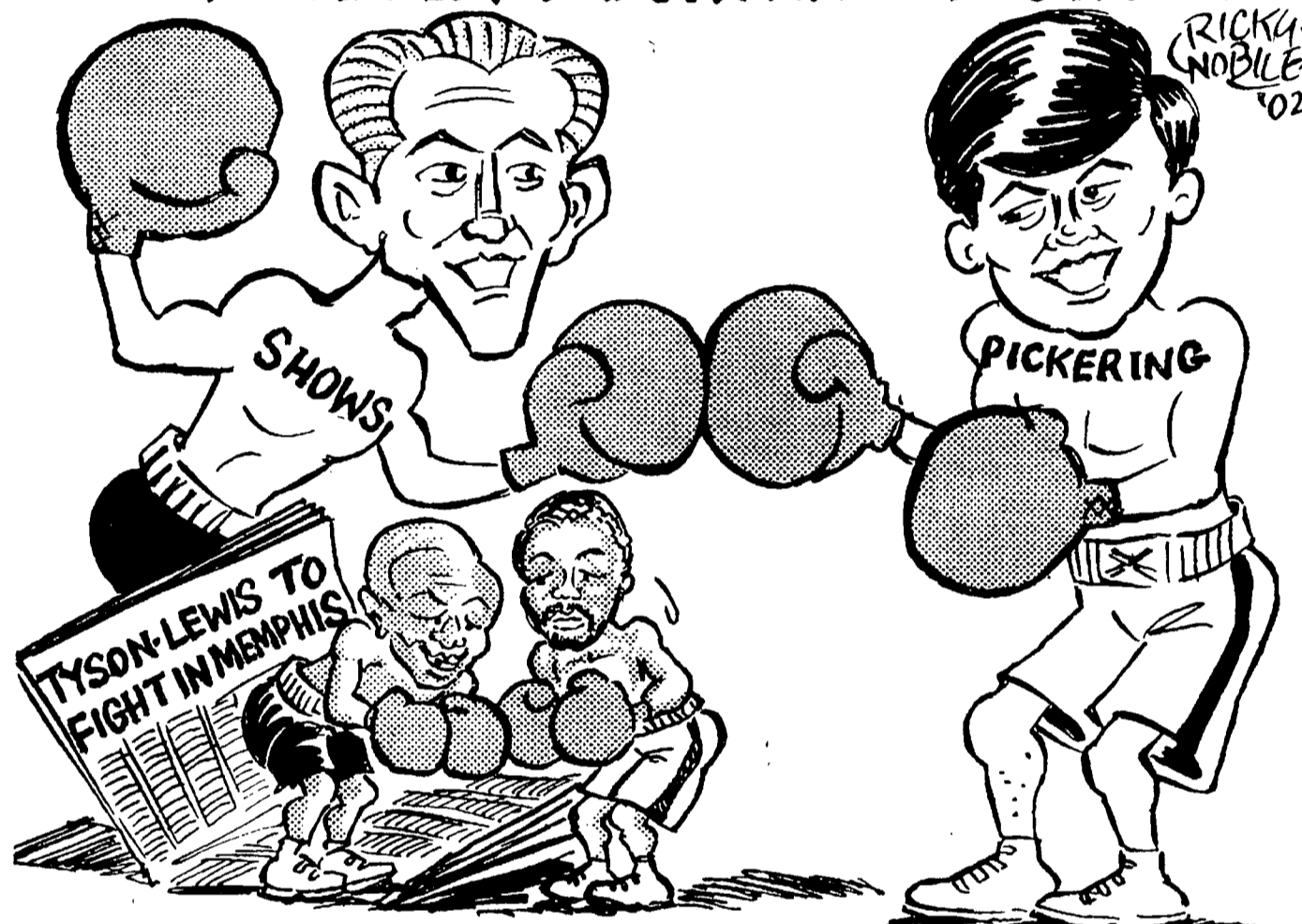
Who is responsible when a pedestrian is struck by a vehicle going the wrong way on Court Street? Say a tourist, who notices the street is one-way, and never bothers to look the other direction before crossing the street? Yes, the driver will have some responsibility, but the city probably would too. Because the city is not enforcing its own law.

If Bay St. Louis leaders are serious about insisting Court Street remain a one-way street, then they need to show it.

Police need to be posted at each end of the street and issue a few tickets. This might get people's attention. And based on my observations, it would certainly result in a huge financial windfall for the city.

On the other hand, if the one-way street plan is not going to be enforced, then return Court Street to its original two-way status. It will be much safer for all our citizens and visitors.

THE REALLY IMPORTANT FIGHT



Irvin's new goal: Enter state's political arena

For most of his 53 years in life, George E. Irvin, Sr. has been on a career track to achieve higher goals.

And for a black Mississippian who came from a tiny rural town to eventually head a statewide federal agricultural agency managing a \$4 billion program, and to rise to the rank of colonel, commanding a 760-member Army Air National Guard group, he's done exceedingly well.

Now, Irvin has a new goal: for the first time in his life to enter the state's political arena.

He wants the voters of Mississippi's Second Congressional district to elect him to the U.S. House of Representatives, a goal he's had in mind for years.

Problem is, now to reach it, he must defeat the guy who has held the job for 10 years.

Simply stated, George Irvin is taking on Democratic U.S. Rep. Bennie Thompson, who is also black, in the June 4 Democratic primary.

Perhaps it is just coincidental that in the late 1990s when Democratic President Bill Clinton was in the White House, Thompson, who then considered himself Mississippi's federal

patronage chief, made life miserable for Irvin as state director of the Farmers Home Administration.

Irvin had been appointed by Clinton to head the state's FMHA more than a year before Thompson was elected to Congress in 1994, so Thompson had nothing to do with Irvin being appointed. Significantly, Irvin was the first black and the first from FMHA ranks ever appointed to head the agency in Mississippi.

Since Thompson couldn't get Irvin fired (because Irvin was a U.S. Department of Agriculture career employee) he began trying to dictate to Irvin how to manage the agency and the millions of dollars in federal loans for rural housing, water projects and economic development in rural areas.

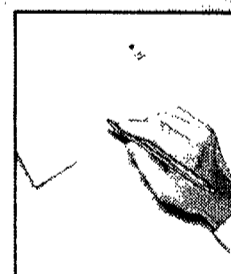
"We (he and Thompson) just didn't hit it off well from the start, because I wasn't willing to be 'Bennie's boy,'" Irvin says. "After all, my agency was statewide and I had to be fair, and non-partisan, not just serve one Congressional district."

Actually, Irvin points out, the Delta, which Thompson

Letters to the Editor

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represents, was already the heaviest beneficiary of FMHA programs since it had the highest rate of rural poverty.

"I'm quite familiar with the peculiar needs of the Delta and I don't see evidence that Bennie Thompson has done anything to help them. To begin with, he has no agricultural background, and I do."

By 1998, Irvin decided his best course was to take a transfer to the USDA in Washington, and round out the remaining two years he needed toward a 30-year retirement from the USDA.

But going to Washington also gave him an unexpected reward: An appointment to the Army War College, to become the only Mississippian in 2001 to receive the prestigious year-long study at the LBJ Library in Austin, Texas.

With the Army War College study year behind him, Irvin took retirement

from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and decided a Congressional bid was a natural career goal.

From his years in the FMHA and in Air National Guard service, Irvin had a ready-made reservoir of contacts, enough, Irvin feels, to give Thompson his first serious Democratic challenge since the former Hinds County supervisor won the Congress seat back in 1994.

His challenge of the seemingly entrenched Thompson, Irvin stresses, "is bigger than just the 2nd District, it's a opportunity to change the image of the state."

Thompson, he says, "goes around with a chip on his shoulder. We don't need that. It's a new era, and there's no place for the racial rhetoric of yesterday."

Irvin knows something about working bi-racially in

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Government for his support of General Andrew Jackson in the Battle of New Orleans.

The Boddie family acquired Cat Island around 1900.

Needless to say, there are many of Juan and John James Cuevas' ancestors, thousands and thousands of them, and I hope they are all glad that both Deer Island and a vast majority of Cat Island will become nature preserves.

By the way, to add to the decedents, Juan Cuevas married Marie Helen Ladner in 1795 at Biloxi.

Bay High's band is becoming a regular visitor to Disneyland in Florida.

The Tiger Pride Marching Band had the

honor to perform on Tuesday in Mickey's big parade to help celebrate the 100th anniversary of Walt Disney.

In 1998 the Bay High band performed at Epcot, and in 2000 the band performed in the Magic Kingdom Parade, so this makes the third time in a short period for the Tiger Pride to be at Disney.

The requests for the Bay-Waveland School District's band is because of the accomplishments of the band as a whole.

There is no question about the job that Director Catchie Crider has done with the Tiger Pride. By the way, I worked with her mother, Polly Mazarakis, for many years at the Echo in my early years. I know

there must be quite a few of you who remember the column "Polly Peers."

I am sure Catchie receives a lot of support from Bay Middle School Director Kelly Allen and Dance Team Director Natalie Skinner.

Congratulations to the entire Tiger Pride, and I hope they had a great time representing the Bay-Waveland area.

The bites of the gnats means it's time for baseball and softball games across the county.

Young boys and girls are starting to play in several leagues with others to start soon. Among the opportunities is the Waveland Little League program.

The final registration for

Waveland Little League Baseball will take place on Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Elwood Bourgeois Park on Waveland and Central avenues.

The age groups are Tee Ball, 5-6; Minor League, 7-8; Little League, 9-10 and 11-12; and Junior League 13-14.

The draft will be held on Monday, April 8.

It takes lots of folks to make a league successful, and additional help can always be used.

You may contact the following persons for registration and/or volunteer information: Clay, 467-4710; Leo, 469-0687 or 806-0988; Linda, 467-4091; or Marian, 806-0987.

Volunteers



Pat Ladner, left, and Harvey Gordan from the state 4-H office.



Angie and Ferrlon Ladner, Pat and Wade Ladner, Brian and Regina Breaux.

Hancock 4-H volunteers meet

Hancock County 4-H volunteers met Feb. 22 to 24 for a leadership conference at Camp Wesley Pines in Gallman.

Pat Ladner won the Southeast District Outstanding Volunteer Leaders Award for her many hours of helping 4-H in Hancock County.

Angie and Ferrlon Ladner, Pat and Wade Ladner, Brian and Regina Breaux joined

about 200 other volunteers gathered to focus on "Celebrating 100 Years and Counting" as they learned better ways to lead and serve youths.

The workshops and speakers helped volunteers learn tips on ways to be more successful in their efforts with their local 4-H Clubs.

For information, call Wade Ladner at (228) 467-5456.

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Mississippi, from his six years as statewide FMHA director during the 1990s with a racially-diverse staff of 545 employees, and before that, serving county FMHA offices in several parts of the state.

A native of Tylertown, Irvin earned a BS degree from Alcorn State University, then a master's degree in agricultural education from Mississippi State University. In 1991, while assigned to the FMHA Jackson headquarters as a rural housing specialist, he added an MBA degree from Jackson State.

He had been a Vo-Ag teacher in Walthall County and Greenville before joining the USDA in 1978 as an assistant supervisor in the Poplarville FMHA office. Later, he headed the FMHA county office in Canton, before being assigned to the Jackson office in 1985.

Joining the Mississippi National Guard in 1971 as an enlisted man, Irvin won a Second Lieutenant commission and his pilot wings in the Air National Guard in 1978, then won a series of promotions to reach his present rank as a colonel, commanding the 185th Aviation Group.

One son, George, Jr., is a graduate of the Air Force Academy and now an Air Force captain, based in Anchorage, Alaska. Another son is in law school at Texas Southern University, while the Irvin's daughter holds a master's degree in chemistry and teaches at Millsaps College.

For 30 years, his wife, Jean, has been a public

school teacher, undergirding what Irvin calls his own "strong commitment to education as the key to whatever success I have had."

Irvin says he's gotten good response from both blacks and whites across the Second District, "who after 10 years are ready for a change."

Unlike Thompson, Irvin said he would be a strong advocate for veterans, and national defense. And, specifically, he said: "I would have voted for the McCain-Feingold Campaign Finance Reform Act (which Thompson voted against) because it will go a long way toward keeping special interests from buying influence in Congress."

Even some Republicans in the District have shown interest in his Democratic primary campaign, Irvin said. "They concede it is a Democratic district, but they see my potential as a Congressman who will reach out to persons of both races and parties."

MBA meet at Stennis

The Center of Higher Learning at the John C. Stennis Space Center is hosting an informational meeting today, April 4, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Glazier Conference Room in Building 1103 to discuss the University of Southern Mississippi's Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree program.

Interested area residents and employees of Stennis Space Center are invited to attend.

The University of Southern Mississippi MBA program began at Stennis in August, 2001; core MBA courses will begin this fall for undergraduate business majors, and individuals in other majors can begin the program at a later date.

MBA classes are offered at 4:45 p.m., and two courses are usually offered each semester. Business majors can complete the program in two years, and individuals with non-business majors will need an additional year.

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USM to get \$6.8 million for repairs, renovation

The University of Southern Mississippi will receive \$6.8 million as its share of \$50.8 million in repair and renovation money earmarked for the state's eight universities.

The money is for the fiscal year that starts July 1.

For USM, the bond-bill package, as approved by a Senate-House conference committee earlier this

week, includes:

* \$1 million to the Gulf Park campus for land acquisition and parking facilities;
* \$650,000 to equip and furnish a planned \$6 million addition to the Thames Polymer Science Research Center;

* \$500,000 to equip USM facilities at Stennis Space Center.

Pass cancels longtime private sand hauling practice

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Pass Christian will halt its long-established practice of hauling beach sand to private property.

The ban was decided upon after a Board of Aldermen meeting Tuesday night following a report by city attorney Malcolm Jones.

At the board's recessed meeting in March, one resident asked for and received beach sand, but Jones was asked to get an opinion from the state attorney general's office.

The AG's office, at first, didn't see anything wrong with the practice, but Ward 4 Alderman Don Moore said the policy "opens the door to abuse." He said the city shouldn't be giving away sand or using city trucks to deliver it to private residences.

The beach sand often blows up on U.S. Hwy. 90 and on to medians, and once it is polluted by motor oil and other highway debris, it cannot be returned to the sand beach.

City road crews have been hauling the tainted sand to the maintenance yard on North Street, then

hauling it upon request.

In the future, the beach sand will remain stored in a pile that is growing at the city barn, and the city will use it on city property, as needed.

Moore said the city will still continue the practice of dumping excess dirt from ditch cleaning onto private property after the property owner signs a right of access.

In other business, engineering consultant John Campton of Garner Russell and Associates reported in letters to Mayor Billy McDonald and aldermen that a change in the design and encounters with unexpected debris at the bottom of the Municipal Harbor has increased the east bulkhead rehabilitation project cost by about \$200,000 to a little more than \$1.3 million.

Just last week, work crews with GM&R pulled up the rear chassis of a truck buried in the water, and the wreck had to be picked up, loaded into a dumpster on site, then hauled away.

Campton reported since construction began the contractor has encountered and had to remove broken concrete and asphalt weighing

up to 1,000 pounds, sections of broken wood piling, various metal booms, chains and other riggings from fishing boats and one oxygen tank.

He said, based on talks with the contractor, a different design was worked out "which will make for a better, stronger and more durable wall," which is also easier to construct.

Originally, the contractor bid on plans to provide a precast concrete whaler on the outside of the new concrete sheet piling, connected to the bored-in-place-tie-back rods.

The alternative suggested by the contractor was to eliminate the separate precast concrete whaler hanging on the outside wall and replace it by a steel whaler beam cast integrally into the (enlarged) concrete pile cap.

"The fact that the whaler is now cast into the concrete cap makes it more durable and less likely to be damaged," Campton said. He said it also speeds up the work because it allows the tie rods to be installed at a higher elevation. "The rod now passes through the existing bulkhead wall

above the waterline even at high tide, whereas with the original design, these holes would have been below the water during high tide," Campton explained.

Before the meeting, the board held a public hearing on an appeal to a zoning variance granted to Henry and Pracoise Vosbein. The Zoning Board of Adjustment approved plans to allow them to reduce front and backyard variances in order to build a duplex on two adjoining lots they own in Pine Point Shores.

The Pine Point Shores Property Owner's Association filed an appeal of that decision, but after hearing the issue, the board voted 3-1 to uphold the decision of the Zoning Board of Adjustment and allow the variances. The property is located in Alderman Don Moore's Ward 4, and he voted to overturn and deny the variance. Aldermen Leo "Chipper" McDermott, Michael Antoine and Joe Piernas voted to uphold the Zoning Board of Adjustment's decision. Alderman James McKissack was absent.

Barret Daly, attorney for the Property Owner's

Association, argued the 1954 covenants governing Pine Point Shores stipulates only single-family residences can be built there. However, on the city's official zoning map, the area is designated, "R-2-

Residential, allowing for a double house.

Opponents have 10 days to appeal the board's decision to Harrison County Circuit Court.

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PTK INDUCTS NEW MEMBERS

Pearl River Community College's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, Iota Mu, recently inducted its new members for Spring 2002. The students include from left: Front row - Dana Kendrick of Picayune, Laura Keeton of Hattiesburg, Jodi Tate of Carriere, Leslie Lee of Picayune, Karen Hearn of Poplarville, Danielle Wheat of Picayune, Rachelle Youngblood of Lumberton, Brooke Burge of Poplarville and Brooke Hollingsworth of Prentiss. Second row - Hollie Amanda Davis of Foxworth, Windy Jean Saucier of Purvis, April Rouse of Purvis, Tina Jackson of Brooklyn, Shane Patrice Simmons of Lumberton, Charmaine Byes of Hattiesburg, Stacie Ratcliff of Carson, Melvin Tart of Hattiesburg, Rachel Clay of Lumberton, David Smith of Poplarville, Jesse David Doyle of Picayune and Manson Dubose of Lumberton. Back row - Sarah Bond of Brooklyn, Jennifer Charles of Hattiesburg, Greg Holcomb of Lumberton, Jonathan Barlow of Hattiesburg, Ken Miller of Hattiesburg, Bill Cruise of Carriere, Gus McKay of Waveland, Bert Hopgood of Bay St. Louis, Daniel Forest of Picayune, Andrew Davis of Poplarville and Rudy Melancon of Poplarville. President of the Iota Mu Chapter is Ryan Holmes of Columbia. Advisors are Glenn Dale, Aleta Sullivan and Norma Hammill.

Bay woman injured in crash

ECHO STAFF REPORT

Judith McCall, 56, of Bay St. Louis was seriously injured about 2 p.m. on Tuesday when her vehicle was struck by a dump truck driven by Edwin Taorminn, 34, of Kiln, traveling North on Hwy. 603.

McCall was exiting I-10 from the east and failed to yield while attempting to

cross the north bound lane, according to Mississippi Highway Patrol reports. Taorminn was unable to stop in time to avoid hitting McCall.

McCall, who is the mother of six children, was taken to the Hancock Medical Center, apparently suffering from a broken neck, an injured spleen and other

injuries after being thrown 60 or more feet from the vehicle.

She was airlifted to Jackson for further treatment by a neuro-urgeon, later in the day, still in critical condition, said family members.

Taorminn, was also taken to Hancock Medical Center with undermined injuries.

Improving the chemotherapy experience

Improving the Chemotherapy Experience is a free educational program for cancer patients, their families and health care professionals.

The program will be on April 10 at USM, Gulf Park Conference Center, 730 E. Beach Blvd., Long Beach.

Registration begins at 11:30 a.m., and the program runs from 12-2 p.m.

The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society and biotechnology company Amgen with the collaboration of the American Cancer Society are providing this program to the community.

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PRCC kicks off fund-raising campaign for chapel

Pearl River Community College officially kicked off its Chapel Campaign recently with a breakfast at Diamondhead Country Club.

The theme of the campaign is "Can You Hear the Chimes Ringing?"

Campaign chairman is James Ginn, executive vice-president of Hancock Bank and a PRCC alumnus.

PRCC President William Lewis said the chapel will be a special addition to the campus as the college seeks the total development of its students.

"Last year we entered into a master plan for our campus and one of the missing elements was a focal point for spiritual activities on our campus," Lewis said.

"We are very committed to building a chapel, which would be located in the middle of our main campus.

"We believe that our mission is to not only provide quality educational opportunities but to also create an environment that will enhance the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of our students, faculty, staff and alumni."

Ginn agrees. "At this time of war and anticipation in our nation, we feel more than ever the need to provide our constituents a special place for quiet reflection to ease their many anxieties as well as to ponder their various opportunities," he said. "It will be a place to



First donation

Pearl River Community College President William Lewis (center) accepts a donation from James Ginn (right) and his wife, Jackie, officially kicking off the Chapel Campaign recently during a breakfast. Ginn, a PRCC graduate, is chairman of the Chapel Campaign. On hand for the check presentation at Diamondhead Country Club were Frank Ladner (left), president of the PRCC Board of Trustees, and his wife, Beverly.

pause and praise."

The goal of the Chapel Campaign is to raise \$700,000. Nearly \$20,000 was raised at the kickoff breakfast towards Hancock County's goal of \$120,000.

"We want Hancock County to serve as the role model for the other counties in Pearl River's district in this campaign," said Frank Ladner of Bay St. Louis, who is also president of the PRCC Board of Trustees. "A

chapel is something that is so richly needed for the kids. It's a vital need for our college."

An eight-minute video promoting the Chapel

Campaign, which includes testimonials from some PRCC students, was shown to the crowd of 35 Hancock County business people and PRCC supporters.

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Ryan Holmes, a sophomore from Columbia and president of the Student Government Association, sees a need for a chapel at PRCC.

"A chapel would give students a chance to go and just sit in silence and meditate," he said. "I don't know of anything that would benefit the individual student more than a chapel on our campus."

Lindsey Miller, a freshman from Carriere, said a chapel would be a big plus for PRCC.

"A chapel would be a

place of refuge, a place to meditate and worship," she said. "Every college student would enjoy having an opportunity to go to such a place."

Added Ginn, "We want to do everything we can to make this a reality for Pearl River Community College. We urge everyone to get involved."

For information about the Chapel Campaign, call the PRCC Development Foundation at (601) 403-1183.

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Southern Regional names new director

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Southern Regional Wastewater District appointed former administrative assistant Cheryl Colson to the position of district administrator at a recent special meeting and made the decision to promote former chief operator Doyle Ladner to the position of plant manager at another special meeting on Monday.

The two will fill jobs left vacant when former plant administrator Bill Glover and plant manager Stu Craib unexpectedly resigned two weeks ago.

Both Colson and Ladner

will receive raises commensurate with their new duties, raising each salary from \$33,000 to \$45,000 a year. The previous plant administrator's salary was \$72,800, while the previous manager's salary was \$68,640.

Also promoted to fill the position left by Ladner is former operator Johnny Saucier who will receive a \$5,000 raise. Saucier is well qualified to fill the position, said Colson on Tuesday, and has been attending classes to upgrade his training over the last few years.

Colson said the plant will now begin a search for two new plant operators.

Bay Council eyes proposed subdivision

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Organizers and participants of the Bay Arts event last month told Bay council members on Monday that the event was a great success for the city. Mike Cuevas said people ate in local restaurants, stayed in local hotels and shopped at local businesses.

Cuevas said that next year she hopes to expand Bay Arts to encompass two weekends, but said there will be no open house held at the studios because it was too distracting to students.

Vicki Niolet said that all the faculty members have agreed to return next year. Organizers hope to add two other instructors, she said, from our local area.

In other business:

The Hancock County Civil Defense will hold a pre-season hurricane preparedness seminar on April 15 beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Two areas plagued by speeders were discussed. These were the Dunbar/Felicity area and Old Spanish Trail from Washington to Waveland. Officials are looking into cracking down on violators in these and other areas.

On Tuesday councilmen voted unanimously to approve two special subdivision plats, one submitted by Angeline Harrington located in the 800 block of Webb St. and another submitted by William Morrison, Sr. located in the 500 block of Second St.

Councilmen also approved a request for street abandonment made by Philip LaGrange. The property is located by the Court Street Station restaurant at the corner of Court St. and South Beach Blvd.

Council members discussed a possible change in the city's policy concerning take-home vehicles.

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WARD BARRENTINE
 Ward Seat Barrentine, 48, of Jackson, died Friday, March 29, 2002, in Jackson.

Mr. Barrentine was a graduate of Pass Christian High School and had been a resident of Jackson for the past five years. He had a bachelor of science degree from the University of Mississippi and an MBA from the University of Southern Mississippi. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Barrentine of Pass Christian; two brothers, William M. Barrentine Jr. of Germantown, Tenn., and Thomas C. Barrentine of Long Beach; and a sister, Cornelia B. Clapper of Augusta, Calif.

Services were conducted Tuesday at Trinity Episcopal Church in Pass Christian, directed by Riemann Funeral Home in Gulfport. Burial was in Live Oak Cemetery in Pass Christian.

FRANK BATTEFORD
 Frank P. Batteford, Jr., 59, of Leesville, La. died Saturday, March 30, 2002, in Alexandria, La.

Mr. Batteford was a native of New Orleans, a former resident of Waveland and attended Bay High School. He served several tours in Vietnam and was a member of the Special Forces.

Survivors include his wife, Mimi Batteford of Leesville; and sons Toshi Batteford of Dallas, Texas, and Clint Batteford of Monroe, La.

A memorial service will be conducted today, April 4 at 2 p.m. in Dragoon Chapel, Fort Polk, La.

Labby Memorial Funeral Home in Leesville is in charge of arrangements.

IZIAL BELVIN
 Izial "Windy" Belvin, age unavailable, of Pass Christian, died Sunday, March 31, 2002, in Gulfport.

Services are pending at J. T. Hall Funeral Home in Gulfport.

WM. CURTINDALE
 William Bruce "Bill" Curtindale, 47, of Kiln, died Sunday, March 31, 2002, in Kiln.

Mr. Curtindale was a native of California and a resident of Kiln for the past 12 years. He was a Mormon.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Marie Thigpen Curtindale, sons Bobby and Joseff Curtindale, and daughters Trisha Curtindale and Sara Thigpen, all of Kiln; father and stepmother, William J. and Minnie Curtindale of Waveland; and two brothers, Rocky Curtindale of Monroe, La., and Danny Curtindale of Fort Worth, Texas.

Visitation was Wednesday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by a prayer service in the funeral home chapel and interment in Bayou Coco Cemetery in Kiln.

ZELLA DUKE
 Zella Belle "Peggy" Duke, 91, of Diamondhead, died Tuesday, April 2, 2002, at

Diamondhead.

Mrs. Duke was a homemaker and a native of Kentwood. She had been a resident of Pass Christian. She was a member of the Baptist faith.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Claude Duke.

Survivors include a sister, Paula Pickart of New Orleans; niece Peggy White of New Orleans; nephew Frank Allen Pickart of Fair Oaks Ranch, Tx.; sister-in-law Evelyn Duke Wirth of Metairie; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 10 a.m. at Hope Mausoleum in New Orleans.

The family prefers memorials to the charity of one's choice.

Riemann Funeral Home of Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

C. GRAHAM
 Charlotte F. Graham, 48, of Long Beach, died Saturday, March 30, 2002, in Long Beach.

Mrs. Graham was a homemaker. She was a native of the Mississippi Gulf Coast and was a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Wascom Faye.

Survivors include her parents, Charles and Violetta Ladner Faye of Pass Christian; daughters Celeste Randall of Pass Christian and Vickie Welch of Long Beach; brothers Charles L. Faye, Jr. of Bruton, Ala., Dale Faye and Harvey Faye, both of Bay St. Louis; and Morris Faye, Chester Faye and Kenneth Faye, all of Pass Christian; a sister, Diane Virden of Pass Christian; and two grandchildren.

Visitation and services were conducted Wednesday at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by burial in St. Joseph Cemetery at Rotten Bayou.

RICHARD HAPP
 Richard L. Happ, 93, of Pass Christian, died Sunday, March 31, 2002, in Gulfport.

Mr. Happ was a resident of Pass Christian.

Survivors include his wife, Opal L. Happ of Pass Christian.

A memorial service will be conducted at a later date.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis is in charge of arrangements.

CAMILLE LADNER
 Camille W. Ladner, 86, of Bay St. Louis, died Tuesday, April 2, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

WILLIAM MANKOPF

William Joseph Mankopf, 75, of Bay St. Louis, died Saturday, March 30, 2002, in Gulfport.

Mr. Mankopf was a native of Hannibal, Mo. and a resident of Bay St. Louis for the past 32 years. He was Lutheran and a veteran of the United States Navy and a member of the American Legion Post 139 in Bay St. Louis.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Faye Hetzler Mankopf.

Survivors include his wife, Alene Jacks Mankopf of Bay St. Louis; sons John Mankopf of Trenton, Mich. and Eulon Porter of Louise, Miss.; daughters Katie Mankopf of Detroit, Mich., and Linda Mann of Ft. Myers, Fla.; a brother, John Mankopf of Billings, Mont.; a sister, Mary Shannon of

California; 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by a graveside service in Waveland Cemetery.

EVAN PUCHEU

Evan J. Pucheu, 82, of Bay St. Louis, died Monday, April 1, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Pucheu was a native and lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis, was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and the Korean Conflict and a life member of VFW and DAV. He was a retired civil service employee of the U.S. Postal System and a member of Christ Episcopal Church in Bay St. Louis.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Edith Pucheu; and a sister, Eva Bosarge.

Survivors include a daughter, Susan Bourn and husband Jewel Bourn Jr. of Bay St. Louis; grandchildren Shani Bourn and Jewel "Buddy" Bourn III and wife Amy; and four great-grandchildren, Jewel "Boo" Bourn IV, and Skylar, Kade and Malori Bourn.

Visitation was Wednesday at Christ Episcopal Church in Bay St. Louis followed by services and burial in Gardens of Memory Cemetery in Bay St. Louis.

The family prefers memorials to Christ Episcopal Church, 912 S. Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis.

L. RASMUSSEN

Leatrice "Lassie" R. Rasmussen, 60, of Lakeshore, died Monday, April 1, 2002, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Rasmussen was a housewife and a member of St. Ann and St. John Catholic churches. She was a lifelong resident of Lakeshore.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Raymond and Isabelle Green Lafontaine; and brothers Clifton Lafontaine, Leroy Lafontaine and Harold Lafontaine.

Survivors include her husband, Leonard Rasmussen, and a son, Keith Rasmussen, both of Lakeshore; daughters Samantha Jacobson, Nikoline Rasmussen and Tina Rasmussen, all of Lakeshore; a brother, Cornelius Lafontaine of Ansley; sisters Dorothy Prive of Gulfport and Velma Mackles of Arabi; and nine grandchildren.

Visitation was Wednesday evening at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. Services will be conducted today, April 4 at 11:30 a.m. at St. John Catholic Church in Lakeshore followed by burial in Lakeshore Cemetery.



JAMES TRAVIRCA

James N. Travirca, 76, of Kiln; died Saturday, March 30, 2002, in Gulfport.

Mr. Travirca was a former Hancock County supervisor for 16 years and was a retired general building contractor.

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He was a native of Lumberton and had been a resident of the Coast for 73 years. He attended Annunciation Catholic Church in Kiln and had been very active in community affairs. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Jan Travirca of Kiln; daughters Lillian Hartgrove of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. and Cynthia Burnett of Marrero; stepchildren Janlyn Ray of Terry Miss., Deven Sudduth of Steens, Miss., Barbara Perron of Gretna, Wayman Carr of Long Beach, Bart Carr of Bay St. Louis and Martha Lawson of Metairie; a sister, Reah Clift of California; 15 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Monday at Riemann Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

There will be a private burial at a later date.

The family prefers memorials to one's favorite charity.

ADA WINCHESTER

Ada Robb Winchester, of Pass Christian, died Thursday, March 28, 2002.

Mrs. Winchester was the wife of the late Dr. James W. Winchester. She was a World War II veteran of the Army Nurse Corps, an avid golfer and gardener.

Survivors include children Patricia L. Donohue, Jean and Bradley Williamson, Donald and Kate Donohue, Mary and Bruce Robertson, Barbara and Malcolm Peyton, James W. Winchester, Jr. and Mary W. Mimms; sisters Ethel Elizabeth Bowden and Catherine Robb Morgan; and eight grandchildren.

Visitation was Monday at Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian. Services were conducted Tuesday at Trinity Episcopal Church in Pass Christian. Burial will be in Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia.

The family prefers memorials to Trinity Episcopal Church, 125 Church Ave., Pass Christian, or to the American Cancer Society, 417 Security Square, Gulfport, MS 39507.

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BUSINESS NEWS

MSCI companies win NASA/USGS contracts for Landsat Data Continuity

The Mississippi Space Commerce Initiative (MSCI) has announced that DigitalGlobe, an MSCI member company since 1998, and Resource21, a Mississippi corporation which recently joined MSCI, have been selected for further proposal development of their technical and business plan, as well as a preliminary design of their system for providing future Landsat-quality data.

NASA is providing approximately \$5 million in funding to each of the two selected proposers for the formulation phase of the Landsat Data Continuity Mission; the Agency expects to finalize the Award for the LDCM in mid-2003, with data delivery to the government in 2005.

The Landsat series of Earth-observing missions has amassed the longest (30 years) continuous space-based remote sensing dataset in the world. NASA, together with the United States Geological Survey (USGS), is working to guarantee that Landsat-type and quality data are available to the science and applications communities well into the future, while ensuring and protecting commercial opportunities

arising from the availability of those data.

To accomplish the delivery of Landsat continuity data to the U. S. government, NASA and the USGS are exploring the use of data purchases from a commercial satellite as the next step of the program, which currently utilizes the government-owned Landsat 7 satellite for data collection.

MSCI is a partnership among the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), the State of Mississippi, The University of Mississippi (on behalf of the research universities of Mississippi), and 37 geospatial technology companies. NASA and the State of Mississippi are co-investors in MSCI.

MSCI's mission is to develop a remote sensing/geospatial technologies industry cluster in Mississippi based on the NASA technologies developed at the Stennis Space Center as refined by applications research through the Mississippi research universities.

MSCI companies have a vast array of capabilities and services in the imagery, GIS and cartography area including satellite image

products with less than 1-meter resolution, spatial information data management and analysis services, weather and marine services, and LIDAR and other sensor capability.

"We take pride in the fact that the two LDCM proposals selected by NASA are both from MSCI members," said Dr. Allan Falconer, MSCI executive director.

"The strength of our member companies is the reason for MSCI's success and an indicator of the quality of the geospatial industry cluster developing in Mississippi.

"Individual awards such as those to DigitalGlobe and Resource21 or collective awards such as the recently announced National Technology Alliance award to the Stennis Team (MSCI, Center for Higher Learning and MS Enterprise for Technology) clearly illustrate the Mississippi impact on the geospatial world."

The mission of Resource21 is to meet the information needs of customers worldwide involved in production agriculture and related food industries, crop insurance, national security and earth science while creating value for its

shareholders.

DigitalGlobe is a leading-edge information content provider, developing and selling a wide variety of remote sensing imagery and geospatial information products, currently including satellite data with 0.6-meter resolution.

For more information, you may visit www.spacecommerce.com, www.digitalglobe.com, and www.resource21.com.

For more information about the Landsat Data Continuity Mission, visit <http://ldcm.usgs.gov>.

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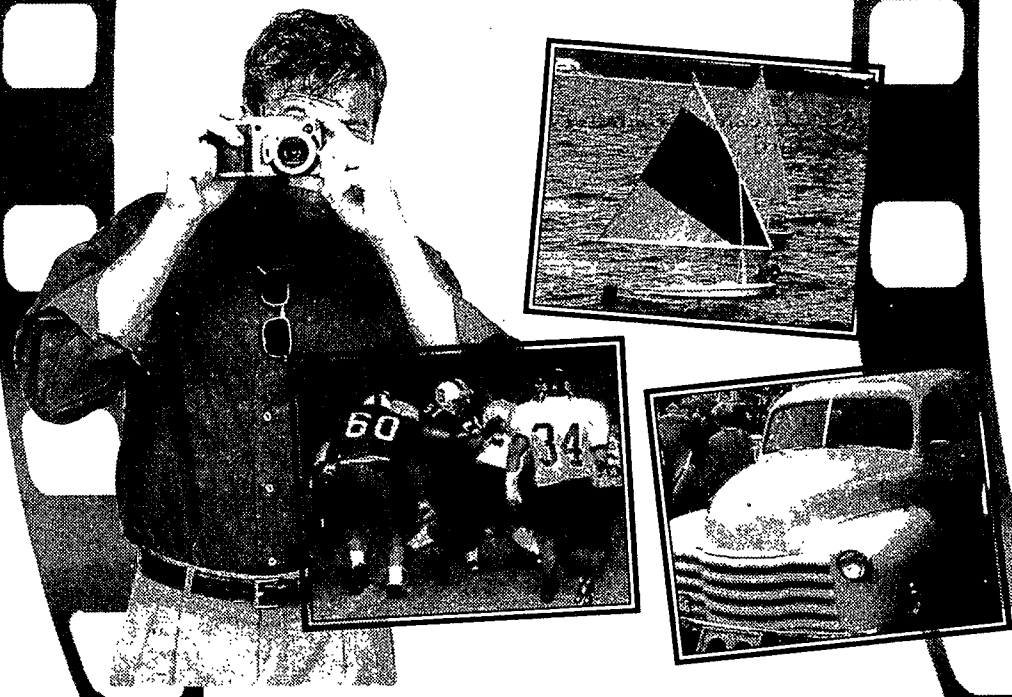
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Southworth named GM

Rick Southworth has been named general manager of the Diamondhead Country Club and Property Owners Association, Inc.

Southworth, 49, is married to Lydia, and they have two sons, Michael and Brandon.

Mrs. Southworth is a flight attendant with United Airlines based in Washington D. C., and they

are planning their future in Diamondhead.

Southworth grew up in Gulf Shores, Ala. and was graduated from Foley High School in Foley, Ala.

He retired from the U. S. Navy after 27 years of service as a captain, and his last assignment was as commanding officer of the United States Naval Air Station in Belle Chasse, La.

AdFed meets today

Black Entertainment Television (BET) representative Kimberly Wilson will discuss the network's programming and marketing strategies at the Mississippi Gulf Coast Advertising Federation's regular monthly meeting today, April 4, 2002, from 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Biloxi's Holiday Inn-Coliseum on Highway 90.

Admission to the AdFed meeting, including lunch, costs \$10.00 for mem-

bers; \$12, non-members. The agenda will also include brief introductions of AdFed members and their respective professional responsibilities.

AdFed meets at 11:45 a.m. the first Thursday of each month at the Holiday Inn - Coliseum. Readers seeking more information about AdFed activities or membership may call (228) 822-9890 or e-mail Ad2Mollie@aol.com

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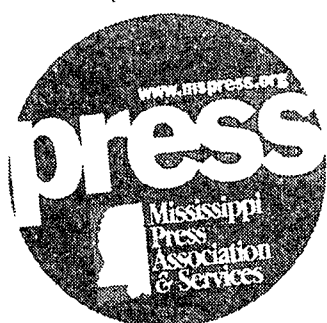
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The show was born out of a 2,500-year-old Chinese tradition of acrobatic circus, which combines artistry and athleticism. The Chinese acrobats dedicate their lives to the physical rigors of training to present these remarkable acts with grace and ease.

Building on traditional folkloric performances, today's artists have added new techniques and amazing stunts.

From juggling 35-pound china pots to spinning plates, jars, wine glasses and chairs, audiences will be surprised at what they'll see whirling, flying, stacked or towering above these performers.

Original Chinese music, dancers and comedians

complement the presentation of spectacular stunts and daring acrobatic feats.

"Shanghai Circus" features a cast of 22 entertainers, all of which have committed their lives to performing.

"These are Olympic-caliber athletes with impeccable precision," said Michael Wilson, the show's producer. "Audiences will see everything from contortionists and foot jugglers to a bevy of beauties balanced precariously on a tower of chairs."

Owned by the Chinese government, the "Shanghai Circus" has been astounding audiences all over the world since 1984. From theme parks like Walt Disney World and Busch Gardens to theaters on Broadway, these acrobats have appeared across North America and around the globe.

The show that appeals to families of all ages now makes its way to the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

"Shanghai Circus" performs in the Beau Rivage Theatre through May 5. Tickets are \$12.95 plus tax for adults and \$8.95 plus tax for children. Call 228-386-7777 or 888-566-7469 for show times and reservations.

"Shanghai Circus" room packages are available starting at \$59 per person. For more info, visit Beau Rivage's website at www.beaurivage.com.

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• June 7: JOHN TESH
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The multiple-talented Connick has been singing since he was in high school.

He and his late wife, Anita, owned two music stores while pursuing their law degrees.

Mrs. Connick was an



Harry Connick, Sr.

accomplished flute player who became one of the finest female judges in the city of New Orleans.

Connick continued to follow his love for music and now sings with his own band.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$3.50 for full-time students and may be purchased at the door on the evening of the performance or ahead of time at Diamondhead Discount Drugs.

Contestants announced for county's Jr. Miss

The Hancock County Jr. Miss program will be held April 13 at 7 p.m. at Hancock High School Commons. Eight young women will compete for the title of Hancock County's Jr. Miss, college scholarships, and cash scholarships.

The young women participating in the 2003 program are Courtney Peterson, Lacey Grimes, Natasha Arce, Maegan Thornton, Heather Moran, and Kimberly Ray, all from Kiln; Andrea White from Diamondhead, and Ashley Rutherford from Waveland.

One of these ladies will represent Hancock County at the Mississippi Jr. Miss program in Meridian, August 1-3.

The Hancock County chairman for 2003 is Kristen Ladner. Ladner has been involved with the Junior Miss program for many years as a choreographer and judge for many other local programs.

Members of the Hancock County Jr. Miss Association are Sandy Garriga, Tammy Moran, Bonnie Selzer, Debbie Moran, Stacey Ladner, Teresa Ladner, Debbie Lee, Jan Jarrell, Miranda Compretta, Jessica Compretta, and Gay Ladner.

The categories in which

each contestant is evaluated are scholastics (20%), interview (25%), talent (25%), fitness (15%), and poise (15%).

The program's goal is to honor young women who excel in all these areas and to encourage them to continue on the path of excellence by completing their college educations and assuming roles of leadership in their communities and professions, thereby setting an example for other young women to follow.

The America's Junior Miss program was founded in 1957 and is the oldest and largest scholarship program for high school girls.

Over 700,000 young women compete at the local, state and national levels, with \$28 million available in scholarships each year.

Former participants include Diane Sawyer of ABC News (America's Jr. Miss 1963), Deborah Norville of Inside Edition (Georgia's Jr. Miss 1976), and Julie Moran, weekend anchor of Entertainment Tonight (America's Jr. Miss 1980).

The AJM National Finals will be held in Mobile, Ala., in June 2003.

If any business or individual is interested in sponsoring this program, please contact Sandy Garriga at 798-0894 or Tammy Moran at 255-7385.

For more information about the America's Jr. Miss program, visit the Web at www.ajm.org.

Little Theater to present Williams' 'Menagerie'

The Bay St. Louis Little Theater presents "The Glass Menagerie." Tennessee Williams' dramatic tale of tenderness, charm, and beauty.

Amanda Wingfield (played by Sandy Higdon) is a faded remnant of Southern gentility, now living in poverty in St. Louis with her son Tom (Walter Williford) and daughter Laura (LaDonna Darrab).

Although both children have been driven by the meanness of their surroundings to withdraw from the world, hope for the future is

at hand when Tom brings home a gentleman caller (Scott Darrab). The play is directed by Ray Kutos.

Performances will be staged at the Bay St. Louis Little Theater on April 5 and 6.

All shows begin at 8 p.m. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$7 for students. Tickets will be available at the door on the night of the show.

A 20 percent discount for groups of 10 or more guests is available. Please call the theater for reservations at 467-2587. For information, visit www.bsllt.com.

Pottery classes offered

Beginner, intermediate and professional pottery classes are forming at the Bay Clay Studio to begin in May. Day classes and evening workshops are available. The studio is open extended hours during the summer. Master potter Talle Johnson is studio director and primary instructor. Continuing Education Credits will be offered during special summer break workshops.

Class sizes are small and include the use of most hand tools, potter's wheel, and firings. Classes are held at the Valena C. Jones Center, 310 Old Spanish Trail.

For curriculum, schedules and supply lists contact Johnson at 228.324.4391. The Bay Clay Studio is a not for profit partnership for art education with the City of Bay St. Louis.

Spirit Fest

Spirit Fest is a family-oriented, non-alcohol event that features contemporary Christian music, gospel music, arts and crafts, amusement rides, a variety of foods, including hot boiled crawfish, and a children's entertainment tent. Admission is free. The hours are Friday, 5-10 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.; and Sunday, noon-5 p.m. Spirit Fest is held at the Rice Pavilion in Gulfport, at Hwy. 49 and Hwy. 90.

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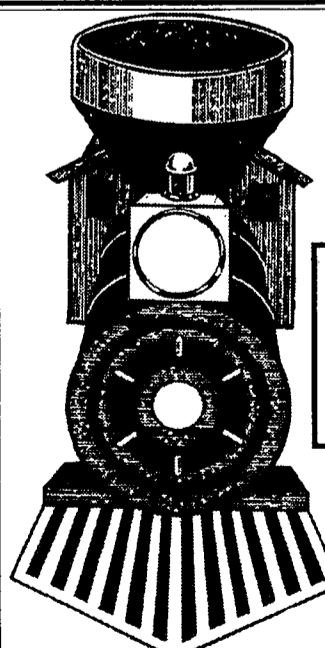
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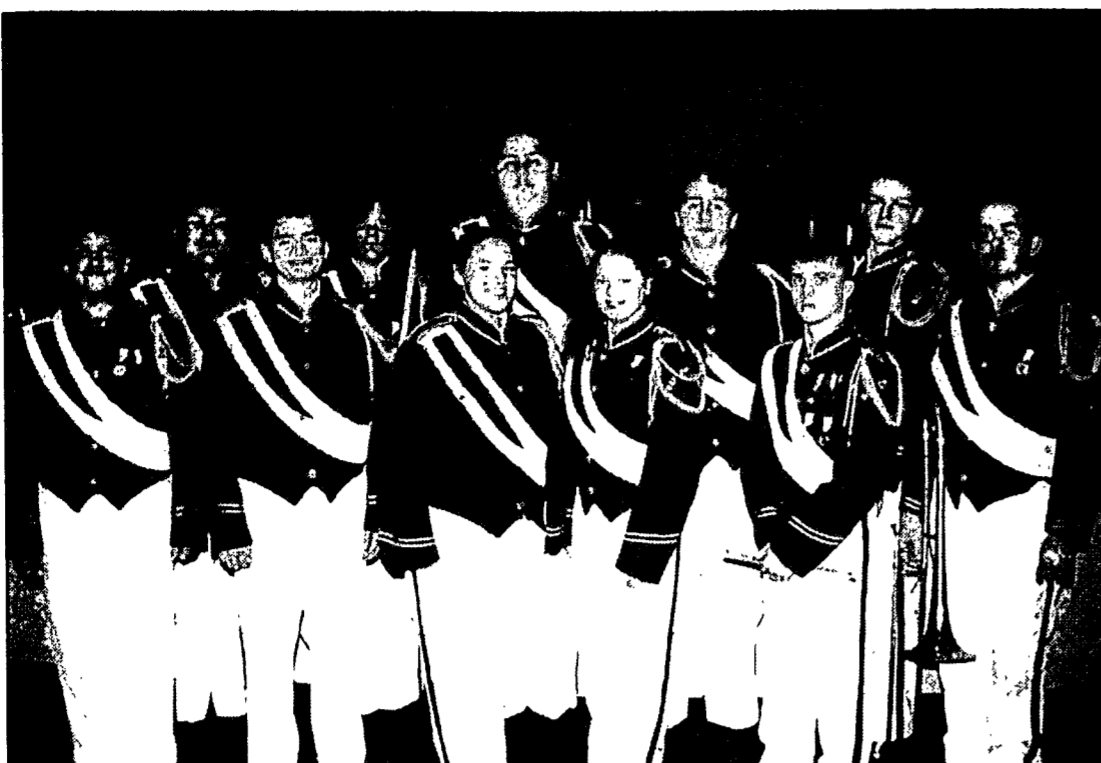
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Tiger Pride

Bay High Tiger Pride band members recently attended the 42nd annual Pearl River Community College Concert Band Clinic, formerly known as Lumberton Clinic. Pictured are, from left, Jim Stribling, Bob Edmonds, Jarred Bragg, Bob Walley, Kindra Snouffer, Cody Smith, Jilean Baldree, Travis Smith, Matthew Delpit, Andrew Baldree and Paul Smith. Each student received the distinguished band medal for their participation in the clinic. Tiger Pride bands are under the direction of Catchie Crider. (Photo by James D. Baldree)

WRANPS 'Wildthings' Spring Baby Shower

WRANPS invites the community to its first "Wildthings" Spring Baby Shower. Between March and September they receive hundreds of babies and need help.

To send cash donations or gift cards from PetsMart or Wal-Mart to help feed and house the new babies, the address is:

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Hancock Women's Club to meet Thurs.

The monthly meeting of the Hancock Women's Club will be held on April 11th at Toscana's Restaurant in Bay St. Louis. Members are reminded to participate in the "Spring Bonnet" contest which is an annual event.

Polly Cuevas will be the guest speaker and judge of the hat show. Dues for the coming year are being collected at this time. Guests are also welcomed.

Activities will begin at 10:30 A.M.

PATH accepting grant applications from area faith-based organizations

PATH (Partners Against Tobacco in Hancock County), the local affiliate of The Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi, is accepting applications for grants to faith-based organizations.

Applications for the grants, which will be awarded in \$2,000 allotments, can be obtained from Gloria Necaise at PATH (467-1481).

Applications must be completed and returned to The Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi by April 22. Three grants will be awarded to faith-based

organizations. Prior grantees are not eligible for this round of funding.

The S.W.A.T. program reaches youths attending grades 4 through 6. It is a community and school-based education and advocacy program that allows youths to take active roles on tobacco issues within their communities.

Allies is a tobacco prevention and education program for seventh and eighth grade students. The program includes a series of life resiliency skills to teach communications, self-esteem, conflict resolution,

goal setting, and much more.

The Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi is a non-profit organization dedicated to reducing youth tobacco use. The Partnership promotes healthy lifestyle choices for youth through comprehensive tobacco education and prevention programs.

More information regarding The Partnership, its comprehensive youth programs, and the faith-based grant cycle are available online at www.healthy-miss.org.

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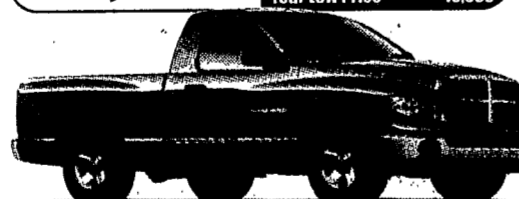
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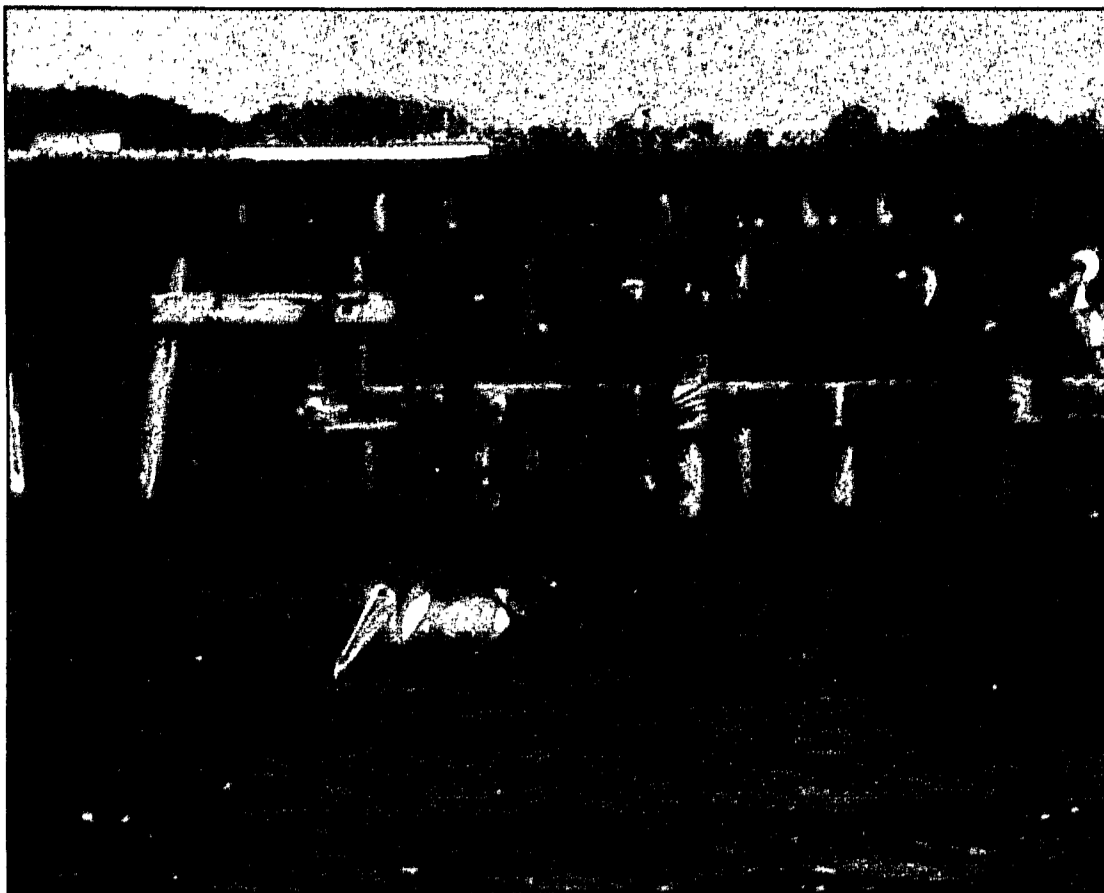
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Echo staff photos by Geoff Belcher
A juvenile brown pelican, released back into the wild after being rehabilitated by WRANPS volunteers, searches for a quick snack Tuesday.

Pelicans -- free at last

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released an adult pelican which had been rescued by the center after getting some fishing line wrapped around one of his wings.

"It was cutting off his circulation," Laitinen said, "and he couldn't fly. He was slowly starving to death."

So far this year, she said, WRANPS has rescued about 13 brown pelicans, two-thirds of which had been injured "as the direct result of some kind of problem with an encounter with humans."

Once the pelicans are ready to be released, Laitinen usually lets them go into the Bay, near her home.

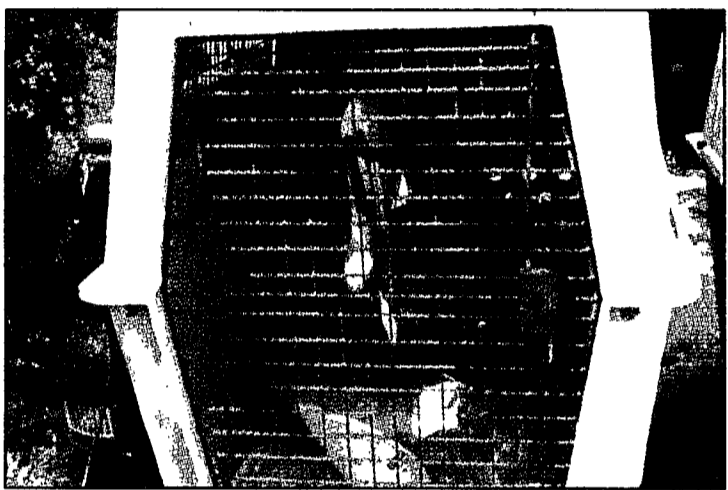
"That way, I can kind of monitor them for awhile, and make sure they're adjusting okay."

Apparently, except for breeding season, pelicans stay pretty close to home, usually keeping within a 25-mile radius and forming strong social groups with each other, Laitinen said.

They are generally monogamous, and stay close to their offspring and teach them how to fly and fish.

In late April, mature Gulf Coast pelicans meet at Petit Bois or Deer Island to form pair bonds, then fly to Alabama off Dauphin Island to mate. They wait until the babies are ready to make the long trip back to the Coast, usually around late August, before returning home for the season.

Those pelicans you see in Mississippi from late April to late August, Laitinen said, are either too young or



An adult pelican waits patiently in a dog kennel in the back of Uneeda Steele-Laitinen's truck Tuesday as she prepares to release it back into the wild.

too old to breed. Pelicans don't reach maturity until around ages 3 to 5.

The brown pelican was extinct on the Mississippi Gulf Coast until the species was reintroduced from some breeding pairs in Florida in 1988.

Since then, Laitinen said, "The population here has really been on the rebound. It's taken a lot of work from a lot of dedicated people. I just hope there will always be pelicans in Mississippi."

The only real threat to the species' continued population growth, she said, is people.

Of the scores of sick or injured pelicans rescued by WRANPS each year, the majority were the victims of people trying to feed them.

Contrary to popular belief, she said, "Pelicans don't eat large fish. Generally, they just eat what we'd consider bait fish, nothing larger than about six inches. ... Pelicans can-

not digest those bones. We've had pelicans that we could not save because people had been feeding them (portions of large fish). As the stomach tries to digest the food, the bones actually perforate the stomach.

"The only way to remove the bones is surgery -- and most of the birds don't survive. ... Basically, what I tell people is, don't feed any pelicans."

Laitinen, like dozens of other WRANPS volunteers, travels all over the coast on "pelican calls," but the organization rescues all types of wild mammals, birds and reptiles. Some recent rescues include fox, raccoons, great blue herons, woodpeckers, barn owls, turtles, alligators, cormorants, and otters.

And the organization is always looking for volunteers and donations. To donate, volunteer or report an animal in need of rescue, call WRANPS at 452-WILD.

NASA -- relax

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Residents from Picayune, Poplarville and other points north are no longer allowed to drive through Stennis on their way to the Welcome Center or to fishing points south of Interstate 10. However, employees of agencies located at Stennis can use the north gate, along with those conducting official business with the various agencies located there on.

At Monday's meeting of the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, Pullman said he also had complaints from campers being run off land their families own in the vast buffer zone surrounding the space center. He said overnight camping is allowed in McLeod Park, which is in the buffer zone and truckers often sleep in their cabs while parked in the Welcome Center, which is also in the buffer zone, although posted signs warn against the practice.

Pullman said the families have been allowed to camp overnight on their land in the buffer zone for years, but recently deputies assigned to patrol the buffer zone have driven them out.

Ron Cuevas, chief administrative officer to Sheriff Steve Garber, said he has gotten the same complaints. But, he said, at NASA's request and expense, two patrol officers are stationed full-time to patrol the buffer zone day and night, and they have been instructed by NASA to order the campers out.

Pullman also said NASA should consider allowing visitors into the north gate "on a case-by-case basis."

Prior to Sept. 11, visitors from Poplarville, Picayune and other parts north on the way to the StennisSphere were allowed to enter Stennis Space Center through the north gate via a through-site pass that allowed them to drive through to the Welcome Center at the junction of I-10 and state Hwy. 607. From the Welcome Center, they boarded buses, which took them back to the StennisSphere.

Limited access to the north gate now requires visitors from Pearl River County and points north to travel 60 miles out of their way if they want to visit the

StennisSphere. Instead of traveling south on I-59 and exiting at Nicholson, visitors from Pearl River County and other points north must now drive south on I-59 or Mississippi 43 before arriving at the Welcome Center on I-10.

Pullman said the closing of the north gate is also inconvenient to fishermen wanting to go to favorite spots in Ansley, Heron Bay and other locations south of I-10. The board will vote to send resolutions to local NASA officials and the state's Congressional delegation asking for some relaxation of the stricter security measures.

NASA News Bureau Chief Lane Cooksey said Tuesday, "At this time, NASA officials have had no discussions with the Board of Supervisors regarding their supposed intent to approach us on either of these matters."

She added, "However, if we do receive official notification from them, we will certainly be willing to review our existing policies and address any concerns they may have."

Death -- fire

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Fizer, who said the investigation is continuing.

The sheriff's department received a call that there was a trailer on fire and Deputy Matt Barnett was the first on the scene.

Fizer said the fire was contained when he arrived at the scene.

"It was a nice day and there were a lot of people out in the area," he said, "and I have talked to numerous people already during the investigation."

Hancock County Investigators Kenny Hurt and Rita Blaize-Watson, Deputy Harold Hirsch and Capt. Joe Herrin also reported to the scene.

Fizer said, "State Fire Marshal David Dyer happened to be in the area and

said that he had taken samples from the fire."

Deputies said the fire was reported by two carpenters who were working on a house across a canal. The men said they heard a fire alarm go off and as they looked, saw smoke coming from the trailer.

"The carpenters approached the trailer and were told by the victim's stepchildren that the door was locked, so they broke the door in and saw the man's feet, grabbed them and saw a rifle and realized part of his head was missing," Fizer said.

AMR responded to the scene and reported the victim deceased at the scene, the police report states.

Fizer thus far the investi-

gation revealed the stepchildren of the victim had seen him come home, take a red gas can from a shed and go into the trailer and lock the door.

Fizer who spent Wednesday talking to witnesses indicated there were others he still had to speak to.

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TOPS MS 233 met Tuesday, April 2 at the Waveland Methodist Church on Central Avenue. Best loser for the week was Wenda with 6 3/4 lbs. There were 12 members present. The gift was won by Rose. The incentive was won by Charlotte.

Awards: Perfect attendance for the 4th quarter: Judy, Jeanette, Rose, Shirley, Wenda, Charlotte and June.

Weight loss for March: Charlotte 3/4 lbs., Beverly L. 3/4 lbs., Shirley 1 1/4 lbs., Beverly H. 1 3/4 lbs., Verma 2 3/4 lbs., June 8 1/2 lbs., Wenda 11 1/2 lbs.

Best loser for March was Judy with 13 1/2 lbs.

Perfect attendance for March: Gwen, Judy, Inge, Pat, Jeanette, Rose, Wenda, Elaine, Charlotte, June.

Debbie received a charm for being a KOPS for 8 years.

Weight loss for 2001 went to Elaine with 37 lbs.

TOPS 233 meets every Tuesday at the Waveland Methodist Church. Weigh-ins are 5-5:45 p.m. with the meeting following.

Anyone is welcome to visit the TOPS 233 chapter. Interested persons are invited to call Wenda at 467-1695.

Travirca

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Hartgrove of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and Cynthia Brunet of Marrero, La.; six stepchildren, 15 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Travirca was first elected to the Board of Supervisors in 1971, and was president of the Board when he lost a fifth bid for re-election in 1987.

Bay St. Louis artist chosen for New Orleans exhibit

Artist/printmaker Gwen Impson was chosen to represent Mississippi in an exhibit entitled "New Orleans and Gulf Coast Printmakers."

The exhibit will be on display and open to the public until April 12 at the World Trade Center, 2 Canal Street, in New Orleans.

Impson has 12 pieces in the exhibit, and included in this work are etchings, monographs, photointaglio, collagraphs and dry point works. Her newest works are part of a Sea Shell

Collection she has developed.

The exhibit was planned to coincide with the annual conference of the Southern Graphics Council. The conference, with over 700 attendees, is the largest gathering of printmakers in North America. Impson will also participate in the Print Exchange and the Open Portfolio during the course of the four-day conference.

She is the owner of the Turquoise Turtle Printmaking Studio in Bay St. Louis.

Hancock Republican Women's Club to meet today at Bay St. Louis Library

The Hancock County Republican Women's Club will meet Thursday at 11 a.m. at the Bay St. Louis branch of the county library, not at the Diamondhead Community Center as originally scheduled.

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Home gardening: Lawn care can be cool

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BY STAN PACE

County Extension Agent

The home lawn and the turf areas surrounding churches, parks, and office buildings do more than just serve as pleasant green backdrops.

The grass plants that make up the lawns serve as miniature air-conditioners and pollution-abatement centers.

On a block of eight houses, the front lawns have the cooling effect of 70 tons of air-conditioning. The plants in transpiring water to cool themselves also cool the surrounding area.

Roughly 60 percent of the heat striking a turf area is eliminated by transpiration.

When the temperature of the sidewalk is 100 degrees F, the temperature of the adjacent turf remains near 75 degrees. This cooling may last into the night, with studies showing a 13 degree cooling at 9 p.m.

This air-conditioning is not free, however. An average 5,000-square-foot lawn transpires about 3,000 gallons of water on a hot summer day. If this water is not supplied by rain, it must be applied by some other means.

Turfgrass also functions as a noise barrier. Studies at the Riverbank Acoustical Laboratory in Geneva, Illinois, found Kentucky bluegrass turf more sound absorbent than a heavy carpet on a felt pad.

One of the most significant by-products of a living, green backdrop is its effect upon the atmosphere. A 250-square-foot lawn produces enough oxygen for a family of four.

The average lawn traps significant amounts of carbon dioxide, peroxyacetyl nitrates, and ozone as well as particulate matter.

A most important affect is the prevention of soil erosion and enhancement of ground water recharge. Research shows infiltration is much higher on turfed areas than on areas of bare ground. The higher infiltration prevents water from running off and encourages it to enter the groundwater stream. Grass roots bind the soil more effectively than any other plant.

Many gardeners enjoy maintaining a quality turf. Others despise lawn work and demand a low-maintenance turfgrass. Still others are confused about how to keep a lawn.

You don't have to be an expert to have a quality lawn; neither do you have to spend all your leisure time working on it. By learning a few basic facts about turfgrass, you can have the best lawn on the block. Also, you can choose a turfgrass to suit the time and money you have for maintenance. The question is "What is the best lawn grass for you?" Choosing the best grass involves personal judgment based on your needs and the conditions of your property.

Each variety of grass has its advantages and disadvantages. Some grow in the shade; others need full sun. Some grow in all parts of the state; some grow only in certain areas. Some require lots of time and patience; others are less troublesome. Some are fast growers, while some are slow growers. Sounds confusing? It really isn't. Be aware of the great versatility of lawn grasses and the wide choices you have. Remember, a quality lawn can make or break your landscape design.

Learning the basics of turf-grass establishment and care, followed by a little hard work, will just about assure success.

—From *Establish and Manage Your Home Lawn P1322*

Don't forget to call our Master Gardener Hotline with any garden or lawn question that you may have. 855-4483 (local, Gulfport) if long distance, 1- 866-Garden8, 1-866-427- 3368).

You CAN go home again



Dorothy "Miss Dot" Clark returned to her home on Easterbrook St. in Bay St. Louis last week after a three-month absence. Her house had to be gutted and renovated after an allegedly unscrupulous contractor took more than \$20,000 from HUD to repair it.

'Miss Dot' back on Easterbrook with a little help from BSL

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

Seventy-four-year-old Dorothy Clark — or Miss Dot, as she is fondly known — is a happy woman, finally.

"Thanks to the help of the City of Bay St. Louis, namely Mayor Eddie Favre, Barbara Redding, Bill Carrigee, and just the whole staff," Clark said Monday, along with HUD employees Tommy James and Ron Boyd, contractor Gilbert LeFrance and Jeff Loftus, her home is finally livable.

Clark moved to the area about 12 years ago and purchased a house on Easterbrook. "The

house wasn't in real good shape but I saw possibilities," said Clark. She proceeded to make a few repairs needed before she moved into the house.

Later, she found that the house was not up to code in many areas. She had read about a special HUD program that offered help to seniors for home improvements and she applied to the program. That was the beginning of a long list of problems for Clark.

The original contractor, Clark said, was awarded more than \$20,000 to complete a list of repairs that included rewiring, replacing old pipes, painting and flooring. As it turned out, he didn't do a very good job, she said.

"I moved back into the house the week before Thanksgiving," she said. "And when I put my key in the front door, the door fell into

the living room."

The house was left in a mess, she said, and all her clothes had been piled on her bed along with a toilet and old cabinets. After a short time, the linoleum began to crack, the carpet buckled, the walls cracked, the plumbing leaked, the water heater broke, and the house began to lean.

Clark appealed to the contractor for a year to fix the mess, she said, and was put off and finally told that work was only guaranteed for a year and she was now out of luck. That's when she went to the city for help.

She was advised to appeal to HUD and her appeal sat on a desk, she said, until James and Boyd took over. Last fall they came to inspect the house with LeFrance and were appalled by what they saw. The old contrac-

tor had run the new wiring under the house and used electrical piping for the plumbing, Clark was told, among other examples of shoddy workmanship.

LeFrance gutted the house and started over.

"There was nothing left standing but the frame," Clark said. "And now the house is just beautiful." The city helped put Clark up in the Studio Inn, where "they were wonderful," she said. The contractor paid to put her belongings in storage. Clark got to pick colors for both inside and outside the house. New studs were added, insulation put in, the house leveled among other major repairs.

"What happened to all that original money, I don't know," she said. "But it didn't go into the house."

1962: County airport proposal in the wings

TEN YEARS AGO

March 29, 1992 — District 2 Supervisor Alton (Dolph) Kellar predicts the people of Hancock County will petition for a vote on the return of the beat system in November.

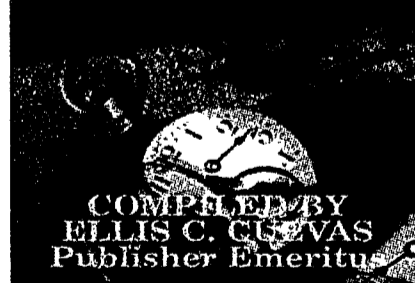
"The petition will probably be presented to the board of supervisors late September or early October," Kellar stated. He said since Wednesday's Senate approval to allow voters the opportunity to petition for a vote to return to beats, he has received calls from many constituents ready to begin circulating a petition.

The present unit system of county government is practiced in 46 of Mississippi's 82 counties. It requires that a supervisor acts as a policy maker, and a paid road manager be responsible for day-to-day operations through a centralized purchasing office.

— Neighborhood Watch. (Photo) Representatives from three new Neighborhood Watch groups received their signs during a Wednesday evening ceremony at the Bay St. Louis Police Department.

Those in photo, Lt. Don Ocho, crime prevention officer; Carrie Herrington and Mrs. Ruth Davis of the 600 block of Sycamore

Back in Time



group, Jeffrey Reed and Walter M. Scretching III of the 600 block of Kellar Street group, and Mary and Harold Peres of the 600 block of Citizen and Old Spanish Trail.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

March 28, 1982 — The Mississippi Commission on Wildlife Commission has outlawed the use of purse seines within one mile of the shoreline in Hancock and Harrison counties.

"In order to preserve fish population, this ban was imposed," a release from the commission states. Hancock County Representative J.P. Compretta Friday state he approached commission officials several months ago and requested the action be taken.

— The election of officers to the Hancock County and Fair

Association, and discussion for a signed contract needed for persons, organizations and promoters renting the arena and building were the main topics of Tuesday's meeting.

Officers elected for the next two years are: Larry Koenenn, president; Walter Turcotte, 1st vice-president; Roland (Bobbie) Cuevas, 2nd vice-president; Pat Woodcock, secretary; and Ethel Breau, treasurer. Mrs. Breau will also serve the association as bookkeeper.

— Bay St. Louis photographer Jimmy Loiacano (photo), is congratulated by Kay Burkhouse, president of the Slidell Artists' League after winning the \$100 first place photography award in that group's recent 20th annual Regional Juried Art Exhibition in the Slidell Municipal Auditorium.

FORTY YEARS AGO

March 29, 1962 — Survey of the 16th Section tract at Jackson Ridge for possible county airport site was authorized by the board of supervisors Monday, on the request of Beat 5 Supervisor, R.G. Hubbard, Jr. while Beat 4 Supervisor James D. Necaise suggested, waiting until next Monday in case a price offer is

received from the owner of another potential site.

Hubbard noted that in wiring for federal aid for airport expansion in the current fiscal year as suggested by U.S. Senator John C. Stennis, he had said plans would be forwarded in the next few days.

Charles A. Russ, Beat 1 supervisor, moved to get the survey seconded by I.M. Frierson of Beat 2, Frierson observed any other site that the Jackson Ridge one advanced by Hubbard would entail a costly purchase.

Emile Piazza, county corner and a flying enthusiast, objected to the angle which Hubbard suggested as plotting for the runway because he said it would mean landing in a cross wind which would be rather difficult for light planes.

Piazza did say the proposed runway was the same angle as the current county airport. Hubbard said the extended facilities were essential in view of the proposed NASA test site and traffic it will create.

He noted the tract would provide 5,200 feet with purchase of a small area from Gulfside Assembly and offer good clearance with the water at one end and the railroad at the other.

The Sea Coast Echo

SPORTS

Rocks lose to Hornets in extra innings

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws (7-12, 2-7) matched wits with the Division 8-leading East Central Hornets on Tuesday for all of regulation play and an extra inning. In the top of the ninth, the Hornets stung the Rocks for 8 runs to blow open a 1-1 ball game and tally the win.

SSC head coach Will Seymour stated, "We made some young mistakes tonight. Our pitcher, Justin Lowery, pitched one heck of a game. We just were not able to give him some offense. Twice, we had runners on second and third and could not get them in. East Central is a very good team and has some great bats on their side."

Through seven innings, the Rocks and the Hornets were scoreless. In the top of the eighth inning, Jeremy Smith hit a sacrifice fly to score a Hornet baserunner. Smith was followed by

Jacob Wisenhunt, a University of West Alabama signee, with a single to centerfield. It seemed as though the Hornets were going to get more offense. Jason Phillips lined a ball to rightfield and was credited with a single. East Central tried to send their runner home but the throw beat the runner to the plate and Rock catcher Lee Klein upended the Hornet baserunner for the third out.

In the bottom of the eighth, the Rocks started their own rally with a walk by Jeremy Lewis. Bryce Breland laid down a sacrifice bunt to move Lewis over to second.

Stephen Kulikowski grounded out to the pitcher; however, Lewis moved to third base on the play. Tim Kulikowski reached first on a throwing error by the third baseman which allowed Lewis to score and tie the game at 1-1.

The top of the ninth

inning was a different story. The Hornets took advantage of a pitching change by SSC and scored 8 runs to make the final score 9-1.

In other baseball action, Bay High beat Vancleave on March 27 by the score of 1-0. David Buckley reached base on an error in the top of the eighth inning and scored on a balk. Brandon Strong was the winning pitcher and allowed just five hits. The losing pitcher was Win Deavours who threw a one-hitter in the loss.

Pass Christian (8-11, 4-5) defeated Gautier 5-3 on the same night. Dustin Allen tallied four hits to help his own cause on the mound for the Pirates. He struck out nine Gators on defense. John Cuevas, Darren Henderson, and Brian Kowalski all had three hits for the Pirates.

On Saturday, March 30, the Pirates got on fire as they 10-run ruled East Marion 17-1. John Cuevas smacked a homerun, triple

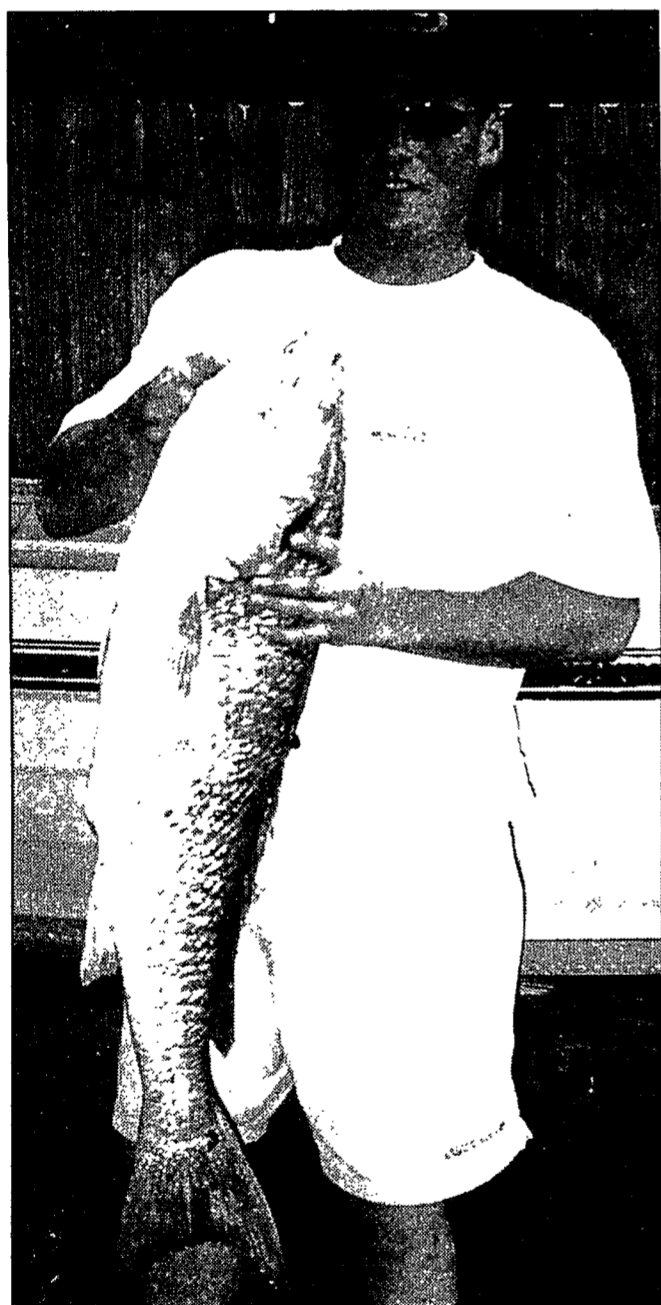
and drove in three runs in the four-inning game. Brian Kowalski added four hits while Jarred Malley added three hits in the game. Darren Henderson and Dustin Allen each added two hits. Malley helped his own cause on the mound as he allowed just one hit and struck out five.

The Long Beach Bearcats swept SSC in a double-header on Saturday. Scoring details for SSC were unavailable for the games.

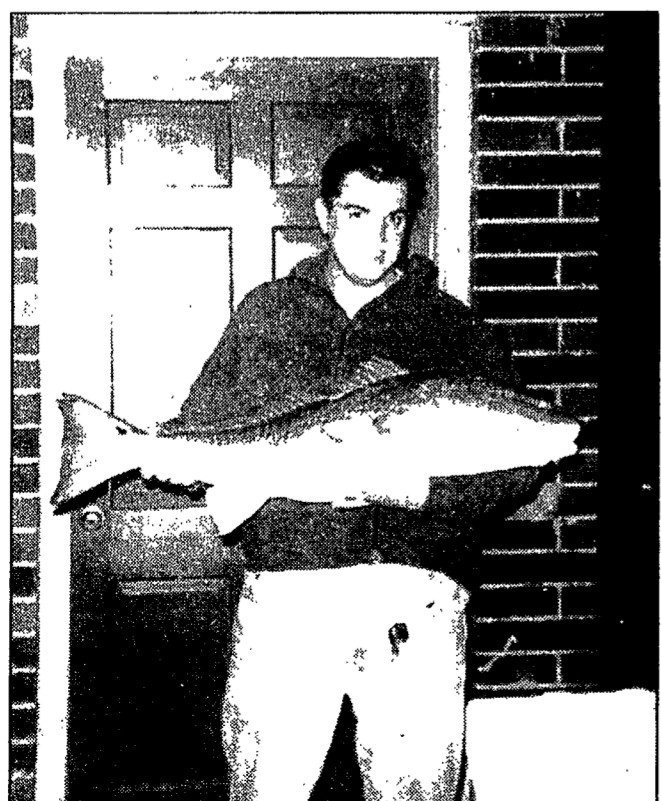
In girls softball, the Hancock Lady Hawks lost a close game to the Pearl River Central Lady Blue Devils 6-4.

Mandy Graham took the loss on the mound for Hancock (8-8-1) as she struck out eight batters. Jessica Dubuisson had a triple, single, and two RBIs to lead Hancock. Summer Seymour added a triple and one RBI in the loss. Morgan Necaice tallied a double and RBI for the Lady Hawks.

King Fish



Billy Ross of Bay St. Louis holds a 39 1/2-inch redfish he caught while fishing the Herron Bay-Three Oaks area near Bayou Caddy.



Billy Buice of Bay St. Louis recently caught this 40-inch-long red fish at Washington Street Pier.

Mississippi Senior Olympics announces upcoming events

Adults age 50 and over from cross the state will be experiencing the thrill of victory, the agony of defeat, and a really great time at two upcoming events - The Pine Belt Regional Games in Hattiesburg and the Mississippi Senior Olympics at Hinds Community College, Raymond Campus and Metro Jackson area venues.

The Pine Belt Regional Games start April 22. For registration and/or entry forms, contact Betsy Rowell at Forest General Hospital (601-288-1088) or the State Senior Olympic Office (1-877-334-0880 or 601-925-7994).

The Mississippi Senior Olympics, which are also the qualifying games for the National Senior Olympic games are scheduled for April 19-21 (tennis) and May 22-25 for all other events.

To be eligible to compete in the 2003 National Senior Games in Hampton Roads, Va., participants must place first, second or third in the 2002 Mississippi Senior Olympic games.

Babe Ruth League has registration

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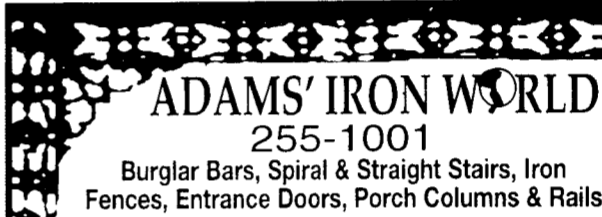
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Returning USTA clay court champions defend titles at D'head Tennis World

BY LIZ WAGNER MAIO

Matches begin at 9 a.m. Monday, April 8 at Diamondhead Tennis World as the USTA Senior Women's National Clay Court Championships open for the seventh year in Diamondhead.

Eighty-four women from 25 states and Germany will arrive this weekend, including Charleen Hillebrand, San Pedro, Calif., defending champion in 60's Singles and 60's Doubles with her partner Suella Steel, La Jolla, Calif.

Susanne Ryerson, Broad Run, Va., also returns to defend her 70's singles title. Dodo Cheney, La Jolla, Calif., champion in 2000 at Diamondhead and all-time record holder of 322 championships, more than anyone in tennis, returns to play 80's singles and doubles with Lucy Dettmer, Palo Alto, Calif.

The public is invited to the matches free of charge at Tennis World, a 10 clay court facility at the end of Noma Drive, the third spoke of Diamondhead Circle when approached from main entrance North of I-10.

Main Draw matches begin at 9 a.m. Monday, and Feed In Tournament matches start at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday.

Main Draw matches will continue each day through Saturday, April 13. Call 228-255-5030 for more information.

The seeded players in the



Photos by Liz Wagner Maio
Charleen Hillebrand, of San Pedro, Ca. defeated Sinclair Bill, of Santa Barbara, Ca., 4-6, 6-1, 7-5 in last year's final. She also won 2001 60s doubles with her partner, Stella Steel, of La Jolla, Ca., 6-2, 6-3, over Sinclair Bill and Peggy Omohundro, of Franklin, Tn. This year's Main Draw matches begin Monday at 9 a.m. at Diamondhead Tennis World.

60's Singles draw are: 1. Charleen Hillebrand; 2. Suella Steel; 3. Heidi Orth, Ettingen, Germany; 4. Sinclair Bill, Santa Barbara, Calif.; and 5. Catherine Anderson, Del Mar, Calif.

The seeded teams in 60's Doubles are: 1. Hillebrand and Steel; 2. Anderson and Bill; 3. Uta Hegberg, Oceanside, Calif. and Diane Willauer, Irvine, Calif.; and 4. Linda Friedlander, Lake Placid, N.Y. and Christa Gloge, Wall, N.J.

In the 70's Singles draw



Dodo Cheney, of La Jolla, Ca., winner of 322 titles, will play her first match in the 80s Singles Division on Wednesday. Depending on the weather, the finals may be played on Friday, April 12, or Saturday, April 13. Call 255-5030 for match information.

the seeded players are: 1. Marietta Boswell, Damascus, Md.; 2. Louise Russ, Boca Raton, Fla.; 3. Suzanne Ryerson, Broad Run, Va.; 4. Louise Owen, Evansville, Ind.; and 5. Lucille Kyvallos, Brooklyn, N.Y.

In 70's Doubles the seeds are: 1. Boswell and Russ; 2. Owen and Jeanette Weiland, Charleston, S.C.; 3. Ryerson and Zoe Williams, Summerville, S.C.; and 4. Elizabeth Bishop and Carol Jaffee, Naples, Fla.

Dodo Cheney has the seeding all tied up in the 80's Singles. Cheney is the



Suzanne Ryerson, of Broad Run, Va., stretches in last year's three-set final win over Olga Mahaney, of San Diego, 3-6, 7-5, 6-2, to win the 2001 70s Singles Title.

number one seed in singles, and Dettmer is number two.

In 80's Doubles Cheney and Dettmer are seeded first, and Maxine King, Phoenix, Ariz. and Judy Stark, Los Angeles, Calif. are seeded second.

Besides playing highly competitive tennis matches, all 84 women in the tournament will make time for some fun. The Welcome Cocktail Party will be Monday night, April 8, at the Diamondhead Country Club.

Tuesday night, April 9, is Casino Night at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis. Wednesday night, April 10, is the Player Dinner Party at the Diamondhead Country Club.

Fire Dogs get 'Knight-ly' effort in win

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

The Mississippi Fire Dogs rebounded from a 23-21 season opening loss to Louisiana to stomp out the Tupelo Fire Ants 21-11 in the home opener. The Fire Dogs received a superb effort from running back Carlos Knight who scored all three touchdowns for Mississippi in the game.

Knight carried the ball 18 times for 121 yards and three scores during the game. The Fire Dogs opened the game with two turnovers on their first two plays from scrimmage. After that, Mississippi settled down and played Fire Dog football. Fire Dogs head coach Irvin Favre stated, "Tonight, it was a good defensive game for us. We

started off slow on the offensive side but played much better in the second half. Our special teams performance really helped us out in the game. We had some inexperience at the wide receiver position and in the defensive backfield; however, as the game progressed we got better."

Knight opened the scoring for Mississippi with a 13-yard run in the first quarter. The PAT by Billy Coachys failed leaving the score 6-0.

Mississippi held Tupelo out of the endzone until the second quarter when they scored on a 46-yard field goal by Jeff Walker.

The Fire Dogs extended their lead with a one-yard run by Knight with :01 left in the opening period. A

two-point conversion by Dexter Thomas brought the score to 14-3.

Just before halftime, Todd Jordan connected with Kevin Cooper for a six-yard scoring pass to make the score 14-9.

With 11:53 left in the third period, the Fire Dogs got their third score from Knight on a 45-yard run from scrimmage. The PAT by Coachys was good making the score 21-9.

The Fire Ants got their final points on a safety when a Mississippi lineman was called for holding in the endzone late in the final quarter.

Fire Dogs offensive coordinator Stu Rayburn commented, "Our running game was working today. We went with that even though

we love to throw the football. Carlos Knight had the quickness tonight to do the damage. Our offensive line of Sam Forehand, Ben Crimm, and Terrance Ware really did a fine job up front to help get Carlos Knight started. Our lineman really helped with our play selection. They were telling me what they were able to do and it helped with the calling of the right play at the right time. Our backup quarterback, John Bond, had only one practice under his belt. But, he got in some key reps and looked fine. We need to get him some more snaps. Any team that is successful has two solid quarterbacks."

The Fire Dogs improve to 1-1 on the season with the win.

Diamondhead Women's Golf Assoc. results

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO
The first Thursday in March was Trophy Day for the DWGA, with the trophy being awarded for the low gross score.

The winner over the field was Sylvia Smith with a gross score of 86. In flight one, Ruth O'Neal, Pauline Haas, and Corinne Ladner finished first, second and third, respectively.

Winners in the second flight were Pheobe Anthony, Eva Bond, and Sue Hebert.

Joanne Fried, Becky Jordan, and Peggy Britson

were third flight winners; and Thelma Hopkins, Kitty Gregoire, and Nettie Dean took the honors in the fourth flight.

The members were playing for points on March 21. The winner in the championship flight was Nancy Seaton; second place was Rita Durham; and third place was taken by Pauline Haas.

First, second and third place winners in flight one were Yvonne Luck, JoAnn Hoekstra, and Til Garrison. Debbie Cumberland, Jean

Bluett, and Beverly Bruce were second flight winners.

In the third flight, Kitty Gregoire, Gretchen Bourgeois, and Carolyn Koerner were win, place, and show.

The President's Cup was contested March 28. Liz Lake won the Cup with a net 68. First flight winners, in order, were Christel Fritzsing, Pauline Haas, Amy Swint, and Cleo Watson.

Darlene Ray led the second flight, followed by Jo Webre, Becky Stritzel, and

Ok Sang Hall.

In the third flight, Marie Clark was first, with Til Garrison, Rose Stackhouse, and Debbie Cumberland taking the other spots.

Kathy Crouch was the winner of the fourth flight. The other places were won by Carolyn Koerner, ChiChi Tucker, and Alberta Alley.

Play has begun in the Pine Classic Match Play Tournament, also. Those players advancing thus far to the second round are Margaret Hill, Marie Clark, and Rose Stackhouse.

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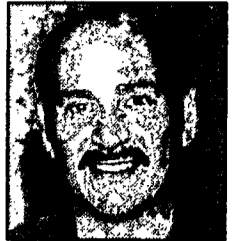
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85 Building Materials

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86 Business Equipment

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93 Yard Sale

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93 Yard Sale

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BLOCK GARAGE SALE Saturday, April 6 2002 Seabrook Drive, 103, 108 110 and 111 (Lakewood Subdivision off Central Avenue) 8:00a.m.-12:00noon No Early Birds. Please

DONT THROW IT AWAY! Let us haul it away Dardar's free yard sale pickup service 601-798-7477 or 228-255-8734

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GARAGE SALE- 8044 FIRETOWER Rd April 6th & 7th. 8-4 Boys clothes & toys Ladies clothes sizes 7 to 18 & household items

HUGE YARD SALE 532 MAIN ST Friday 8-2 Sat 9-2

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MOVING SALE 7242 BAYOU LA Croix Rd. Clothes/toys entertainment center. Ref. \$65.00 fishing/equip To much to mention Fri & Sat. 8-4

MULTI FAMILY YARD SALE 304 Nicholson Ave Fri & Sat 8:00 till 3:00

WE ARE HAVING A SUPER YARD SALE! April 4 5, 6, 8:00-4:00 Georgia St. Shoreline Park Follow signs off Lagan

YARD SALE 8 TILL NOON, SAT 7013 Mercury Dr BSL end tables, girls summer clothes, baby items lots of misc

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YARD SALE FRIDAY ONLY 9 TILL 2 women & baby clothes, toys, furniture Misc To much to mention. 6087 Bayou La Croix Rd. off 603 BSL

YARD SALE SAT APRIL 6TH 8 TILL 117 Sarahs Lane (just past Nicholson on beach) Lots of books, Toys, household goodies. No Clothes. No Early Birds

YARD SALE ST STEPHENS In Delisle 25220 St Stephens Rd. Many Many items such as toys, nick-naks, dishes, clothes and some furniture Wall to wall full. Rain or Shine Fri April 5, 8-1, Sat. April 6, 7-2. For directions call 255-1294.

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138 Trucks, Vans

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143 Real Estate Services

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152 Mobile Home Sites

TRAILER SLOT AVAILABLE IDEAL Trailer Park, Ruella St., BSL \$100 a month. Call 467-4594 or 467-2142.

156 Lots/Acreage

4 LOTS FOR SALE, KILN/WAVELAND/ Cutoff road. 467-3130. Great Location for a Business!

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LAND FOR SALE, 5 ACRES, \$10,000 per acre, negotiable. Can be divided. Hill Brooke Lane, Pass Christian. Call 467-4266 or 255-0493. Leave message.

156 Lots/Acreage

SPRINGWOOD PARK Three 50'x100' (150'x100') wooded lots for sale Located on Avocado Street Zoned R-2A (mobile homes allowed by right) Country atmosphere all only \$1,000.00 Paul N Seckso & Assoc 228-467-0605

158 Commercial Property

1100 SQ FT OFFICE ON HWY 90 BSL \$850/month 467-5011

1100 SQ FT OFFICE SUITE AVAILABLE for rent in Diamondhead Perfect for professional Adjacent to Dental office. 255-6657

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159 Houses For Sale

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OWNER FINANCE, 3br/2ba, cathedral ceiling, fireplace, brick, \$92,500, \$6,000/down. Total note \$850. Corner of Margie & Ryan, Waveland. Call 228-467-4479 or goldcoastrealty2000.com.

Public Notices

BID ADVERTISEMENT

Sealed bids will be received by the Hancock County School Board in the office of the Superintendent, 17304 Highway 603 Kiln, MS 39556 until Thursday April 18 2002 at 2:00 P.M. for the following

Playground Equipment for Gulfview Elementary and Hancock North Central Elementary. Specifications may be obtained at the Office of Superintendent or by calling Lynal Necaise at (228) 255-0376 or faxing request to (228) 255-0378 All bids should be sealed and marked plainly on the outside of the sealed envelope. BID ENCLOSED FOR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

The Board reserves the right to waive irregularities and to reject any and all bids

Mike Ladner Superintendent of Education 03/28, 04/04/02

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
ROBERT PITCHER COMPLAINANT
CLINTON NORMAND, ODESSA M. NORMAND, And BRIAN DAVID NORMAND DEFENDANTS
CAUSE NO. 2002-242
PUBLICATION SUMMONS

TO: (1) Clinton J. Normand if alive a non-resident of the State of Mississippi whose address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry and if dead the unknown heirs at law of Clinton J. Normand whose address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry

(2) Odessa M. Normand if alive a non-resident of the State of Mississippi whose address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry and if dead the unknown heirs at law of Odessa M. Normand whose address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry

(3) Brian David Normand if alive a non-resident of the State of Mississippi whose address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry and if dead the unknown heirs at law of Brian David Normand whose address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry

(4) Any and all other persons whose current addresses, both post office and street addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or to the property described as

Lot 16 Block 2 Unit 2 DIAMONDHEAD Phase 2 according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4 at Pages 48-50 inclusive in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County Mississippi

You and each of you have been made a defendant in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Robert Pitcher Complainant whose address is c/o W. Rodenick Johnson Sr. 228 Byrd Avenue P.O. Box 368 Philadelphia MS 39350

The Complainant filed against each of you has initiated a civil action alleging legal ownership of the above described property. You are required to mail or hand deliver a copy of a written response to the Complainant to W. Rodenick Johnson Sr. Attorney at Law 228 Byrd Ave. P.O. Box 368 Philadelphia MS 39350

EACH OF YOUR ANSWERS MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NO LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 28TH DAY OF MARCH 2002 WHICH IS THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS IF EACH OF YOUR RESPONSES IS NOT MAILED OR DELIVERED A JUDGEMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST EACH OF YOU FOR RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT EACH OF YOU MUST ALSO FILE THE ORIGINAL OF YOUR RESPONSE WITH A CLERK OF THIS COURT WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME AFTERWARD Issued under my hand and seal of said Court this 14th day of March 2002

(SEAL)

Timothy Kellar, Chancery Clerk Hancock County Chancery Court

Hancock County, Mississippi Bay St. Louis MS 39520

BY Larnell Scarborough DEPUTY CLERK

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VIRGINIA C. STINSON

CAUSE NO. 2002-124

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS

VIRGINIA C. STINSON

Letters Testamentary have been granted on the 27th day of February 2002 by the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County Mississippi to the undersigned upon the Estate of Virginia C. Stinson deceased. 150 Main Street, P.O. Box 429, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520. All persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of the said Court for probate and registry according to law within 90 days from the date of the first publication of this Notice or they will be forever barred.

Thus the 12th day of March 2002

WADE W. STINSON Executor of the Estate of Virginia C. Stinson

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI COUNTY OF HANCOCK

TRUSTEES NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on the 22nd day of June 2001, Stacey H. Head and Jorey J. Boudreaux executed a Deed of Trust to Charlene Roberts, Trustee for the benefit of Stuart Company which Deed of Trust is recorded in Land Trust Deed Book 639 Pages 588-590 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County Mississippi; and

WHEREAS default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and Stuart Company, a Mississippi Corporation the holder of the Note and Deed of Trust having requested the undersigned Trustee to do so I will on the 5th day of April 2002 offer for sale at public outcry and receive the legal hours between 11:00 a.m. o'clock and 4:00 p.m. o'clock at the Front Door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi for cash to the highest bidder the following described property lying and being situated in Hancock County Mississippi being more particularly described as follows: to-wit

Lot 132 Deer Park Subdivision Phase III as per map or plat on file in the Hancock County Chancery Clerk's office. The property is subject to a 15 foot utility easement along the Western margin of the property as shown on the plat

I will convey only such title as vested in me as Trustee

WITNESS my signature upon this, the 11th day of March, 2002, A.D.

Charlene Roberts Trustee

03/14, 03/21, 03/28, 04/04/02

Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
CHEYENNE COATES PLAINTIFF
VS
ADONIS J. CREPPEL
A/K/A. ANONIS J. CREPPEL
AGNES BILLIOT CREPPEL
MILDRED M. USHER, AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS DEFENDANTS
CAUSE NO. 2002-242
PUBLICATION SUMMONS

TO: (1) Adonis J. Creppel & Agnes J. Creppel if alive who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi whose last known address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry (2) Agnes Billiot Creppel if alive who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi whose last known address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry (3) Mildred M. Usher if alive who is believed to be a non-resident of the State of Mississippi whose last known address, both post office and street address are unknown after diligent search and inquiry (4) Any and all other persons whose current addresses, both post office and street addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry or claiming any legal or equitable interest in and to the hereinafter described land

Lots 7 and 22 Block 502 Shoreline Park Subdivision Unit No. 1 Addition 2 per the official plat thereof on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County Mississippi

You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Cheyenne Coates Plaintiff whose address is c/o George H. Lupscomb Jr. P.O. Box 2114 Bay St. Louis MS 39521

The Complainant filed against you has initiated a civil action alleging legal ownership of the above described property and seeking to quiet and confirm title

You are required to file with the Chancery Clerk of this Court a written answer either admitting or denying each allegation in the complaint and in addition a copy of your written answer should be either mailed or hand delivered to George H. Lupscomb Jr. Plaintiff's attorney whose address is P.O. Box 2114 Bay St. Louis MS 39521

YOUR ANSWER MUST BE FILED NO LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 14TH DAY OF APRIL 2002 WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT FILED MAILED OR DELIVERED A JUDGEMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT

Witness my signature and official seal this 1st day of April 2002

(Seal)

Timothy A. Kellar Chancery Clerk Hancock County Mississippi

By Pamela Cuevas DEPUTY CLERK

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NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County Bay St. Louis MS 39520 until 11:00 a.m. April 17, 2002 and shortly thereafter publicly opened for the following

SWATT THE PORTABLE RAILROAD AND TRUCK OFFICE PAGES ADVANTAGE UNIT, CITY OF WATKINS BAY STATION MULTIPLE FORMAT PAGING ENCODER A/S PER SPECIFICATIONS FOR WEST HANCOCK JAILMASTER FIRE DISTRICT

Bid specifications are available upon request from the Office of the Chancery Clerk, Hancock County Courthouse, 150 Main Street, P.O. Box 429, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520 by calling (228) 467-0172

All envelopes must be marked on the outside of the envelope BID ENCLOSED and state the item bid on and the bid opening date

All envelopes must be stamped filed in the Hancock County Chancery Clerk's Office before 11:00 a.m. on the day of the bid opening

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids

Published by Order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County Mississippi this the 20th day of February 2002

(Seal)

Timothy A. Kellar Chancery Clerk Hancock County Mississippi

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Proposals will be accepted by the City of Waveland Waveland, Mississippi until the hour 1:45 PM on Tuesday May 7, 2002 for the following

Expansion and Renovation of the Waveland Library

333 Coleman Avenue Waveland MS 39576

The bids will be publicly opened and read at the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Waveland at 6:30 PM May 7, 2002 for all work required to complete said project

Bid Bond or Certified Check in an amount equal to and not less than 5% of bid shall accompany all bids and shall be made payable to the City of Waveland Bidders shall have all required Mississippi licenses and shall be listed with the building inspector of the City of Waveland if applicable

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in any bid and to retain all bids for a period of 60 days after bid opening

Plans and specifications may be obtained from Walter T. Bolton Associates, Architect and Planner 124 Fayard Street Bldg. Mississippi 39530 telephone (228) 74-5212 and Hancock County Library Office 312 Highway 90 Bay St. Louis Mississippi 39520 telephone (228) 467-5282 upon receipt of deposit of \$80.00 Eighty Dollars per set Fifty percent refund of deposit will be made as stated in Contract Documents Instructions to Bidders

Proposals must be filed with the City Clerk prior to the opening time as stated above Envelopes must be sealed and marked Proposal for the Expansion and Renovation of the Waveland Library To Be Opened May 7, 2002 Along with the Private Tax Number must clearly be stated on the front of the envelope Envelopes not marked are submitted at the risk of the prospective bidders and the City assumes no responsibility for the premature opening of same by any City employee

Proposals sent through the mail are done so at the risk of the prospective bidder and should be addressed to the City of Waveland City Clerk's Office P.O. Box 539 Waveland MS 39576 Proposals may also be delivered in person to the City Clerk's Office 301 Coleman Avenue Waveland MS 39576 until 4:00 PM on Tuesday May 7 2002

Certificate of Responsibility Number will appear on front of the envelope for bids submitted in excess of \$50,000.00 by a prime or sub-contractor

By Order of the City of Waveland adopted on this 20th day of March 2002

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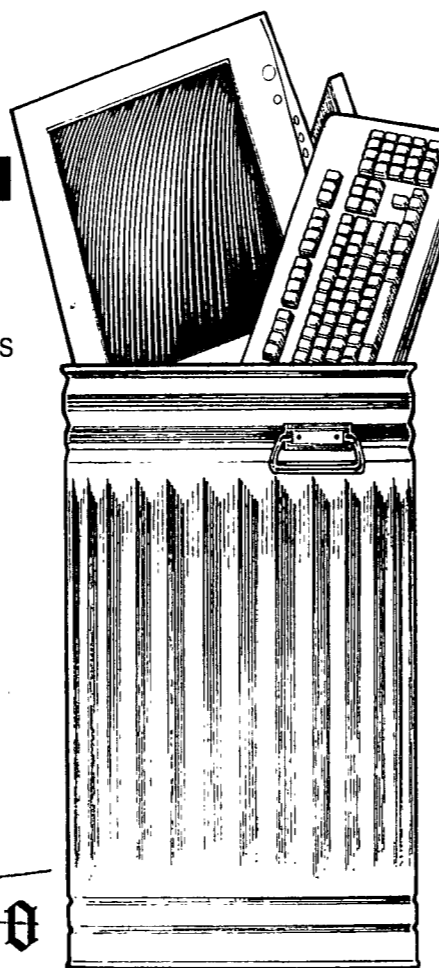
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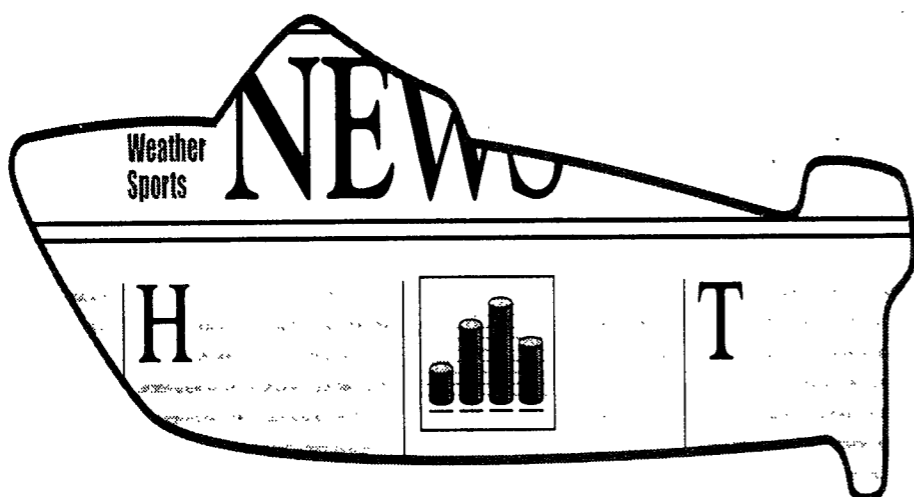
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